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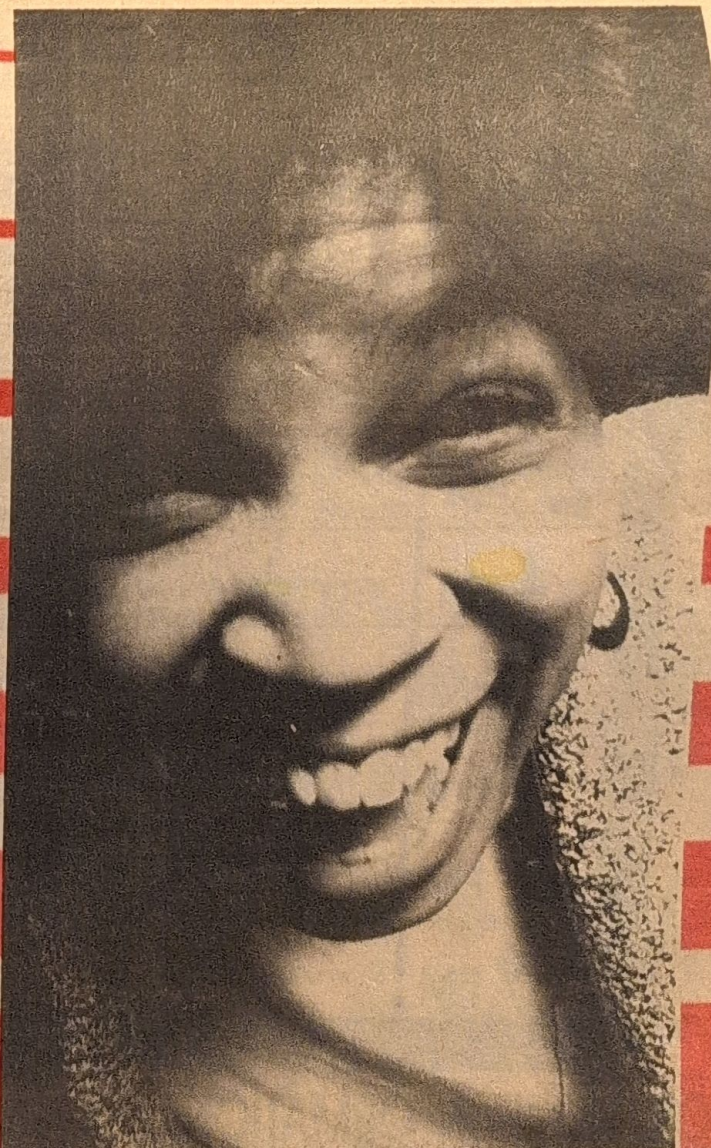
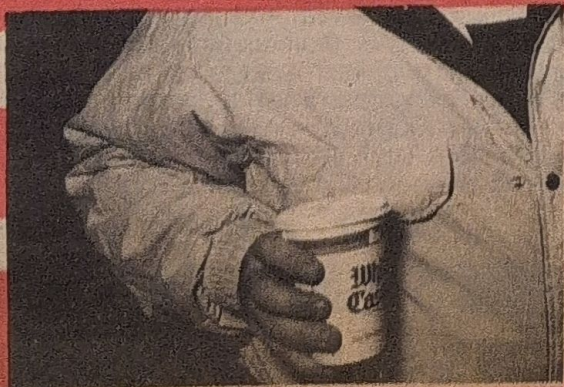
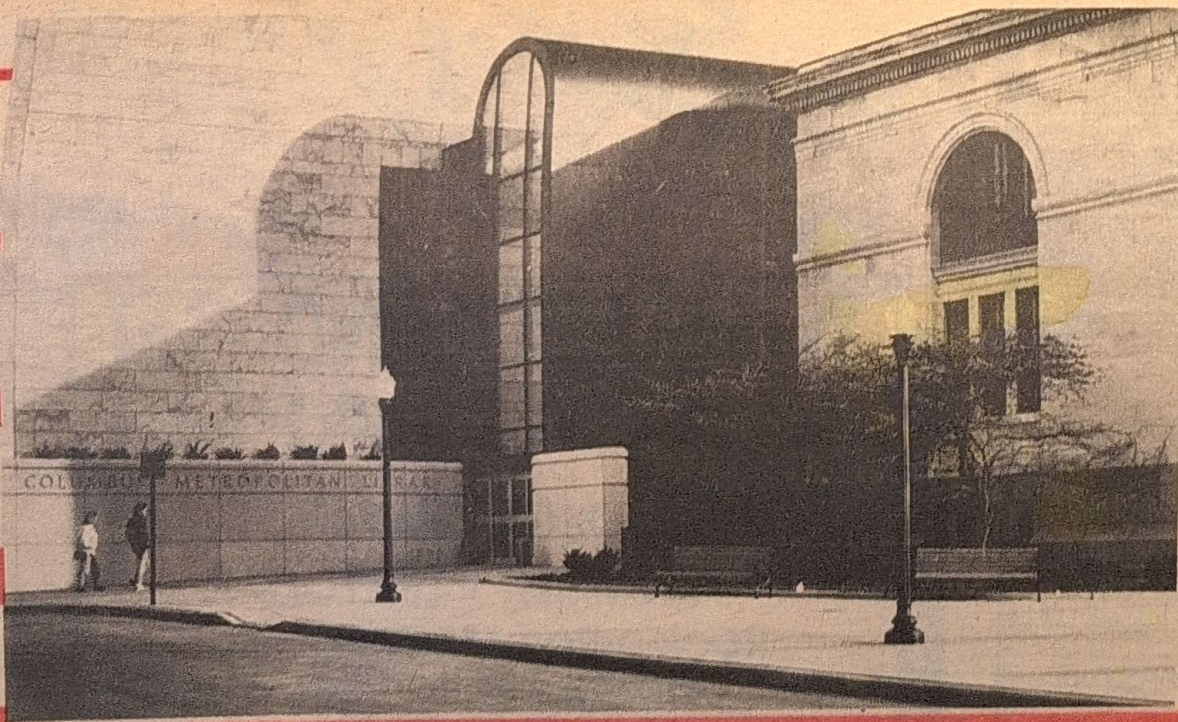
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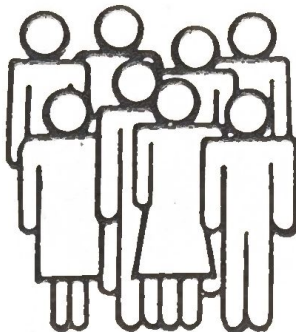
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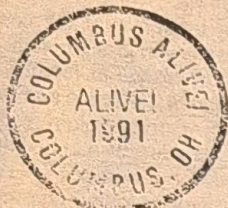


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IN THE MAIL

Refocus Energies Toward Soldiers And Victims

No matter what your thoughts or feelings about the current war in the Middle East, the energy and time spent on debate as to whether we should or should not be involved in the war is superfluous. It is of no consequence or value at this point. We have to accept it and deal with it. The United States is engaged in a war to the bitter end. No matter what the outcome may be, it is time to accept that fact.

We need to take our anger, rage, sorrow, pain, relief, euphoria or whatever feelings we have about the war and let them go. Deal with your feelings openly and honestly, but let them go. We need to stop focusing our energies into pro/anti-war sentiments, feelings or demonstrations, as they will ultimately prove to be self-defeating and of no consequence to the tasks ahead of us.

First, we need to focus our hopes and prayers toward a quick resolution of this conflict with a minimal loss of human life and carnage. Secondly, we need to start directing our energies toward the reality of life after the war.

Many families will be grieving and suffering from the loss of loved ones in this conflict. *Providing them with a military funeral, a 21-gun salute and the American flag that is draped over the coffin of a loved one will not begin to replace the sense of loss and outrage. We need to reach out to the survivors.*

Let them know we care and sympathize with their loss. We need to direct them into support groups to help them deal with their grief and let them know that their lives will still continue, in spite of their loss.

Many of our vets will come home physically and mentally disabled. Providing them with a ticker-tape parade and a V.A. hospital is not enough for them or their families. There will be many mental wounds of anguish, despair and hopelessness to heal. Your efforts to help them with these problems will be your greatest post-war gift—not a parade or funeral, which only express your undying patriotism.

Now is the time to refocus our energies into supporting the families of the soldiers and into showing our care and concern toward the victims of this unfortunate war.

Third and finally, we should make time in our lives to make our neighborhoods, communities and the world a better place to live so that, hopefully, our children and grandchildren will not have to debate the issues of war and peace as our nation has been doing these last five-and-a-half months.

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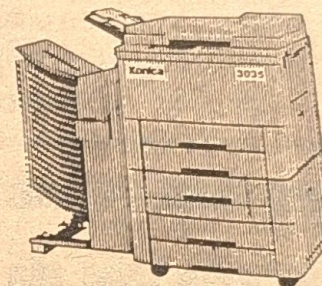
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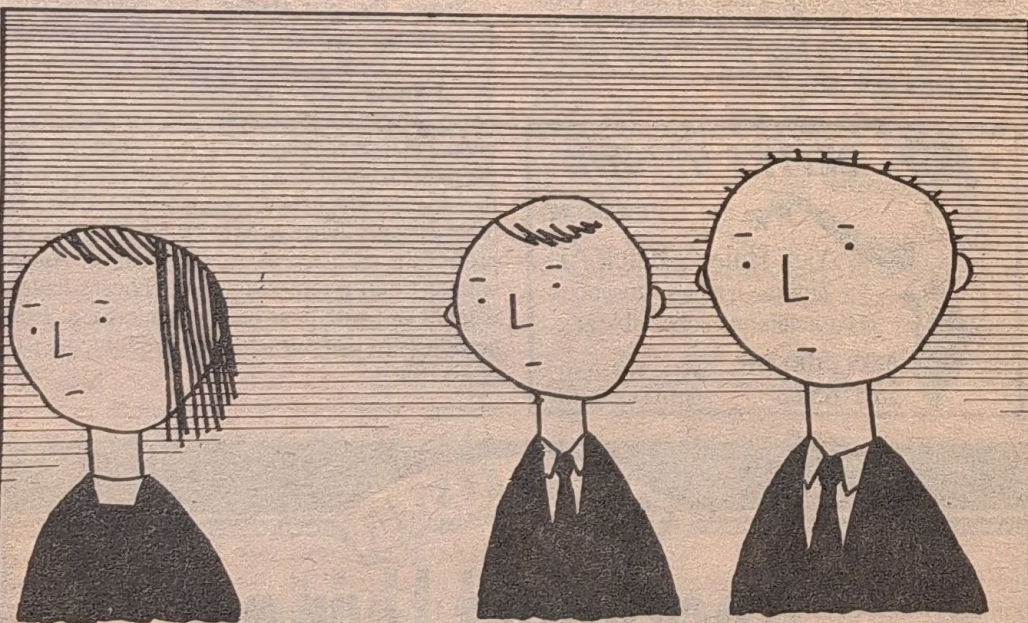
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GUEST EDITORIAL GIVE PEACE A CHANCE

by Mary Jo Kilroy

If the first casualty of the war is truth; the second, on the domestic front, may be tolerance of the right to dissent. It happened during World War I, with Eugene Debs and other war resisters ending up in prison for speaking out. World War II saw the suppression of the liberties of American citizens of Japanese origin. During the Vietnam era, the FBI program known as COINTELPRO was directed at spying on, stealing from, wire-tapping and disrupting the peace movement and black militant organizations.

The ugly face of intolerance was shown on the very first day of the Iraqi War during a peace rally held at night on The Ohio State University campus. Rampaging students, who equate criticism of American foreign policy with being "unAmerican," disrupted the rally sponsored by the Middle East Peace Committee and the Committee for Nonviolent Conflict Resolution. College Republicans, Students Mobilized Against Saddam Hussein (SMASH), Citizens for a Free Kuwait and their recruits swooped down on the war protest like a party of marauding Cossacks.

The peace group had gathered behind the Student Union on the OSU campus, demonstration permits in hand. Before 10 minutes had elapsed, a white, predominantly male mob of several hundred, led by the College Republicans, the Committee for a Free Kuwait and the Mobilization Against Saddam Hussein, ran through the crowd, whooping and hollering, pushing, shoving and waving the American flag as a tool of intimidation. Beer was dumped on a circle of students who had been sitting in a small circle, chanting in Buddhist fashion. The peace rally was totally disrupted.

Columbus police officers at the scene were reported by rally leaders to ignore instances where participants were shoved and knocked to the ground. They offered the excuse that they didn't have jurisdiction; they were just there to "observe." The campus police put up a token effort to keep the anti-war and pro-war groups separate, but mostly they just shrugged their shoulders. What could they do? The pro-war group was too big, too unruly and too loud for the small campus police force to divert.



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The student peace committee regrouped on the other side of the Oval and once again began their rally. They surrounded the rally speakers in a protective fashion, their large circle about 10 to 15 people deep. But soon, the hecklers marched back and encircled the peace group. ("They're high on Bush," said one war protestor, noting the apparent drinking that continued.)

College Republicans Executive Director Dennis Ebersole was invited by the Middle East Peace Committee's Rick Theis, an organizer of the rally, to stop the disturbance and join them in a debate of the issues. But a free exchange of ideas was not Ebersole's nor his cohorts' goal; shouting down the peace rally was the idea. The war hawks were louder and more numerous during their second sorties, as over and over again they yelled, "USA," "We support Bush," and in a bit of Orwellian doublespeak, "Peace through war."

Smaller but more personal and intimidating confrontations occurred along the perimeter of the peace rally's circle, and volleys of eggs were thrown at the speakers. Women were particular targets of verbal abuse from drunken, vitriolic male students.

Ebersole insisted that members of the pro-war coalition were only exercising their right to express their frustration with and resentment of the peace movement's actions and goals. "We resent the protestors," he said, admitting, though, that "a few people went overboard and went out of control." He dismissed their actions against the war protestors, saying they were "just blowing off steam."

After the rally ended, the pro-war coalition, led by the College Republicans rampaged down High Street, disrupting traffic and giving high fives to tolerant Columbus police officers. Deputy Police Chief Robert Kern was quoted in *The Columbus Dispatch* as saying that police officers are very patriotic and "it's disheartening to see people protesting (the war). This doesn't sit well with the officers."

Before the war started, U.S. Senators and Representatives, in significant numbers, questioned the use of force. Now that the war is underway, the politicians have dropped that stance, and peace groups have become "unpatriotic" overnight. But if democracy means more than rhetoric, the right to dissent must be protected. That means that Mayor Rinehart, Police Chief Jackson and other elected officials need to require the police to protect the right to peaceably assemble. And it wouldn't hurt if responsible Republicans have a word or two with their young counterparts. They need to learn that our freedoms are something to be cherished.

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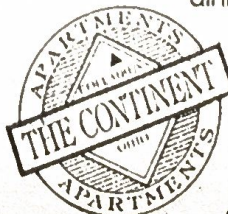
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THE CATASTROPHE OF WAR

by Harvey Wasserman

A deeply divided United States has entered another war. And, despite all our wishes, we are headed for deep trouble at home and abroad.

Most telling on the domestic front was the vote in the United States Senate. Despite months of manipulation by the Bush Administration, the shift of just three senators would have denied authorization to fight. The House margin was not much more decisive.

Politics aside, the late but lengthy debate and close vote reflected a deep public foreboding. Never have the human, financial and spiritual costs of entering a war been so thoroughly scrutinized before it happened. That much, at least, was healthy.

But the closeness of the vote said something else again about what might be expected from a war at home if the war in the Middle East drags on. In every previous U.S. conflict since 1812, Congress has given overwhelming approval. Even in World War I, when there were vast divisions at the grassroots, the House and Senate were virtually unanimous for American intervention.

But before this war even started, America was ripped asunder. Millions still bear the scars of Vietnam—and possess the organizing skills honed during that era. Not surprisingly, veterans who were used and abused during and after that war are now leading the charge, warning: "Don't send us into another far-off war with unclear goals and uncertain domestic support."

While opposition to the Vietnam War built gradually, this time it came pre-made. Large segments of the population already were boiling with anger over homelessness, AIDS, racial injustice, drugs and ecological destruction. The war will crystallize and magnify that anger, because all these lethal plagues will be worsened by this massive diversion of resources and energy into the desert.

And now George Bush, well known as an opponent of civil rights and civil liberties, calls for blood sacrifice in the name of freedom from a disproportionately non-white military. A former director of the Central Intelligence Agency—infamous for overthrowing sovereign governments—he demands Americans shed life and economic stability to save a corrupt monarchy.

Yet, he stood silent at the Chinese rape of Tibet, kept cool at the plundering of Lithuania and keeps repressive rulers in place throughout Latin America. At the height of Desert Storm, he sent another \$40 million to the butchers of El Salvador. Will we soon be back in overt operations there as well?

Just prior to the war with Iraq, Bush vetoed legislation that would have mandated improved auto efficiency. He said the gasoline savings would cost lives because lighter cars would be less safe. But then, he fought off another law mandating stiffer auto safety requirements. Improving overall auto efficiency by just three miles per gallon would save the U.S. all the oil it was importing from Iraq and Kuwait.

But the president seems to be saying that while we can spend billions on the ultimate in high-tech weaponry—\$300 million on Tomahawk missiles alone—we can't force Detroit to devise a car advanced enough to do the job at home. We seem to have mastered mass transportation of troops to the Middle East but can't get trains for commuters from our suburbs to our central cities.

Two decades ago, the U.S. entered its devastating war in Southeast Asia without a hint of how the native culture worked. We all paid a horrifying price for that ignorance.

Today, our grasp of Middle Eastern realities is even more convoluted and scant.

The American air forces had a memorable top-of-the-first-inning against Saddam Hussein. But the likelihood that a lasting victory can be won quickly and cleanly is minimal. And even more costly may be a resulting peace for which no one in the administration seems to have done any serious planning.

The ancient complexities of intra-Arab, Arab-Israeli and Arab-Western interplay, multiplied by the presence of nuclear and chemical weapons, make the region the ultimate geopolitical nightmare. It is a place where a victory can be costlier than a defeat, where rational calculation is irrelevant.

And it has all been maddeningly avoidable. The key question is not, "What else could the U.S. have done to get Hussein out of Kuwait?"; it is, "How did we get into this quicksand in the first place, and how, ultimately, do we get out?"

The pursuit of a sound energy policy should have cured our addiction to oil long ago and offers our only long-term route to safety. Curtailing the spread of nuclear power plants could have prevented Saddam Hussein from even dreaming of getting an atomic bomb. The transition from a war to a peacetime economy should have begun decades ago.

And Saddam Hussein himself could have remained a minor petty tyrant cornered in the desert had not American intervention catapulted him to the status of the anti-Christ.

Like Manuel Noriega, Hussein has been largely an American creation. For years, he was stalemated in a brutal, draining war with Iran. But we helped arm him and allowed him access to nuclear materials. And since the Ayatollah was America's devil of the decade, U.S. intelligence—hardly the right word in retrospect—showed Hussein how to win.

Once freed of that fight, Hussein turned to Kuwait. But his role as George Bush's chief satan could just as easily have been filled again by the Ayatollah. Or by Syria's equally brutal Hafez Assad, who, after all, used the cover of the Kuwaiti conflict to swallow Lebanon, with nary a peep from Washington.

And once Saddam Hussein is gone, who, indeed, will be our next villain to expunge, the next unimaginable devil to saturate our media? Is this cosmic police work to be our permanent national calling?

For now, instead of a peace dividend, our immediate future is filled with body bags and ruined lives, a dire human services and ecological agenda postponed if not canceled and an increasingly fragile economy once again battered to fuel the machinery of permanent war.

The quagmire of Vietnam has become the quicksand of the Middle East. But we must find a quicker way out. The lost legacy of yet another generation is too high a price to pay. We cannot afford yet another crusade whose ultimate direction is a jungle nightmare or a desert mirage.

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by Rob Huesca

Fantasizing War

Where were you when you learned that the United States started bombing Baghdad, and what was your reaction? Major events have a way of freezing space, time and emotion in our memories, and my recollections are eerily rational.

When I heard that the bombing was underway, I was walking through one of the libraries at OSU. I felt no strong emotion in my gut, and judging from the others around me who looked up momentarily from their course work, my lack of feeling was not unique. Nearly six months of news clips and flickering images sold me and others on the inevitable, maybe even pleasurable game called war.

As George Bush's January 15 deadline neared, most of the media focused on the game nature of war: the strategy, raising the stakes, playing out the end game. Military experts and novices alike brought out their maps and boards to show how our blue chips would conquer their red chips.

Although all the media have been playing with this type of coverage, Channel 10's Dave Kaylor pushed the metaphor to a ludicrous extreme when he visited a west Columbus store that sells war games. Kaylor couldn't overemphasize the com-

plexity of war while reviewing the game, *Gulf Strike*. "Folks, it is not an easy game to play. First of all, you have this big box. Secondly, over here, you have the instruction booklet—60 pages long. I'm talking 60 pages long. And then, you have just one of three maps here that you use to play the game."

If that sounded too complicated for the average citizen, you could turn to the *Dispatch*, which ran the easy-to-play version on the front page of the

Sunday paper. Surrounded by placid pastels, the Sunday map divided the war into four easy steps. Lots of potent blue arrows penetrated the Iraqi motherland through air and ground attacks and led to "the world's greatest tank battle...to prepare for war's climax."

The underlying sexual pleasures of this war were not lost on OSU student Jeff Becker, who staged a day-long performance art piece on the campus oval. Becker sat silently for much of the day, dipping toy soldiers in red liquid, thrusting them inside condoms and then tossing them carelessly to the ground. This bit of enlightenment had great news potential—graphic, unusual, local, timely—but the local media (the student newspaper, *The Lantern*, excepted) downplayed the

event.

Channel 4 and the *Dispatch* ignored the performance, while channels 6 and 10 lumped it in with their other protest coverage. Channel 10's Keith Cate explained that the student was "placing toy soldiers in condom body bags," while Channel 6's Michelle Gailiun sidestepped any Freudian illusions, referring to the condoms as "simulated body bags." Shortly thereafter, the station was back to its standard footage of white men in ties discussing their missile size.

Aaaand They're Off

The campaign for mayor got into full swing this month, and the standard conflicts of interest among *Ohio's Greatest Home Newspaper*, 10-TV and the political establishment are as evident as ever. Alleged Republican front-runner Greg Lashutka received prominent and glorious coverage from both the *Dispatch* and Channel 10. Of course, the favorable copy and video are com-

pletely coincidental (ha ha) with the candidate's political backing from J.W. Wolfe, the head honcho of both media outlets.

Only Channel 6 reporter Carol Luper has been very aggressive in pursuing the elusive and taciturn J.W. She chased Wolfe down the street from the Columbus Club after his private luncheon with Lashutka to ask Wolfe if he would comment on the campaign. He said "no" twice before walking away from Luper. Channel 10's John Damschroder mentioned the private luncheon in his report but omitted any mention of Wolfe, referring instead to "the money men" of Columbus.

Following Damschroder's report, news anchor Bob Orr lobbed softballs at Lashutka during a live interview from the studio. "The money people are behind you. Does this mean you have the Republican endorsement in the bag?" asked Orr. Lashutka prefaced his canned remarks with "I'm not sure who the money people are..." (wink, wink).

Meanwhile, editors at the *Dispatch* have been perplexed about how to manipulate the blatant conflict. They've decided to acknowledge up

front the connection between the candidate and the newspaper...well, almost acknowledge and almost up front.

In the story featuring Lashutka and the "money men," the *Dispatch* wrote about a meeting between the candidate and "several of the city's most influential business leaders, including... J.W. Wolfe of The Ohio Company." That unvarnished revelation appeared right up front in paragraph 18 of the story.

Rip and Read

• Channel 4's *For Your Health* reporter, Jeannie Franzen, has pushed the boundaries of good nutrition to unforeseen limits with a recipe for cooking hamburger. "You cook it in vegetable oil," she reported with a slightly incredulous grin. "As the meat is mixing with that hot vegetable oil, the saturated fat—the bad fat—is replaced with unsaturated fat—good fat." Anyone for a tofu burger?

• Channel 10 reporter Michelle Bradley will make a formidable candidate this year as the top journalist for in-depth coverage. Reporting live from the scene, Bradley placed a seemingly mundane event into ominous perspective. "You can never predict where a sinkhole is going to open up, and that's a scary thought. (Camera panning down) This is the latest sinkhole. From this angle, it doesn't look that bad, but a closer look down inside tells a different story."

• The *Dispatch* will be entering its own formidable candidates as well, though I'm not sure how to categorize the tenacious reporting of Darris Blackford and Jonathan Riskind. They followed fallen right-winger Buz Lukens to Port Columbus airport after he was released from jail. In an unintentionally humorous article, the reporters indicated that they waited for 15 minutes next to Lukens' "locked toilet stall." Visions of the interview: Blackford and Riskind double-team Lukens from adjacent toilet stalls, passing him tough questions written on toilet paper. "Flush once for yes, twice for no."

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PURE POLITICS

by George Zimmermann

This year could be the one for meaningful campaign finance reform in Ohio. The five statewide 1990 campaigns—for governor, attorney general, state auditor, state treasurer and secretary of state—cost \$37 million, an obscene sum. And many of the special interests that chipped in the big bucks last year did so not for ideological or even partisan reasons; they did it because under our current system, you have to "pay to play."

State government influence-peddling is both insidious and systematic. In fact, it's been institutionalized to the point that it's taken for granted. Here are some examples:

1) As the Celeste administration adequately demonstrated, a governor can hand out millions of dollars of unbid contracts to friends and political contributors. How many of these deals actually benefited taxpayers is impossible to determine, but they undermine public confidence that state government is working efficiently and impartially.

2) Statewide officeholders routinely solicit campaign contributions from their state employees, even those "classified" workers who are supposed to be removed from politics. Implicit in such solicitation is that you contribute to the boss' campaign if you want to keep your career on track.

3) Special interest groups pour money into legislative races to buy influence on upcoming legislation. As campaigns get ever more expensive, lawmakers increasingly are tempted to put the interests of the lobbyists ahead of the interests of their constituents back home, because it's the lobbyists who finance their reelection campaigns.

4) Recent Ohio attorneys general helped perpetuate their political careers at public expense. The AG spends \$20 million a year on "special counsel," legal work done for the state by private law firms. The attorney general has total discretion on which firms get this work, none of it competitively bid. Come reelection time, not surprisingly, partners and staff attorneys at these firms are eager to return the favor by contributing to the AG's campaign. (After Tony Celebrezze's defeat in last year's governor's race, the former attorney general joined the firm of Porter Wright Morris & Arthur, which received more than \$21 million of state work during Tony's eight years as AG.)

And the list goes on and on.

The problem, plainly, is the extravagant amounts of money being spent on campaigns, primarily for TV commercials. It's because politicians believe they need huge campaign war chests

to buy TV time that some are selling their souls (and our government) to special interests that can provide that money. It's an understandable, if not admirable, seduction.

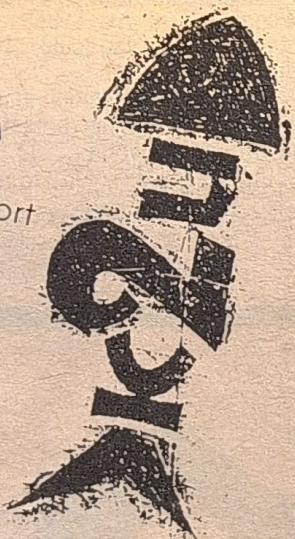
The answer, also obvious but not easily accomplished, is to limit how much money can be contributed to a candidate and, more importantly, how much a candidate can spend. Basically, campaign spending limits have to be set low enough both to reduce candidates' currently unquenchable thirst for contributions and to encourage candidates to find alternatives to paid TV.

Under the present system, it's not inconceivable that a legislative candidate in an urban district could spend an entire campaign raising money—without ever giving a speech or meeting a single constituent—then spend that bank account on TV commercials the last three weeks and win. But if total campaign spending is capped at a relatively low dollar amount, then candidates will spend less time raising money (and promising paybacks) and more time communicating with their constituents through personal contact, speeches and press coverage (all preferable to 30-second commercials). This would increase the importance of issues and substance and reduce the impact of media consultants and hair styles.

On the bright side, many candidates in 1990 talked about the need for campaign reform. Its enactment would go a long way toward restoring public confidence in state government.

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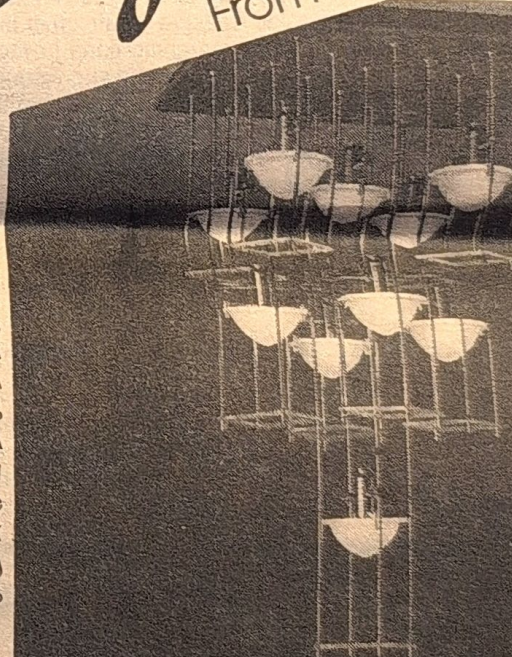
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Doo Dah Parade

Yes, it did take a while to come up with a suitable winner for this category, but we think you'll agree with our choice. In a white-bread kinda town like Columbus, this annual Fourth of July parody parade is an unexpected treasure. While other Independence Day parade watchers are enduring yet another high school marching band or the Civil War vets color guard, Doo Dah viewers drink beer, throw water balloons and shoot squirt guns at the zany and irreverent Doo Dah participants. All manner of political and social institutions are skewered with clever satire (the Honest Lawyers' Brigade and On-Land Synchronized Swim Team are typical entrants). Sure, we stole the idea from Pasadena and a couple other cities, but so what? For Columbus, this is a bold leap from its Midwestern blandness.

Best Place In Columbus To Impress Out-Of-Towners

From Newark or Lima: City Center

From a real city: Take them down Interstate 71 to Cincinnati.

Readers' Choice: City Center

Best View Of High Street From A Bar

Legend has it that the bay window table at Dick's Den was created in 1970 so that the local counterculture denizens could have one last beer while watching National Guard tanks storm up High Street to their stronghold. The view of High Street is not so much deep as it is wide. At rush hour, the table seems like an oasis in the middle of Columbus' lifeline. The Short North Tavern and the Metropolitan MusiCafe also provide intoxicating vistas of The Only Street That Matters.

Best Place To People-Watch In Columbus

Why, at your friendly, local deputy registrar on the last day of the month, of course. Most everyone in line with you is there because they forgot to mail in their tag registration, and they're all really happy about it. Not only that, but the computers have gone down twice since you came in three hours ago, and half the clerks are now on their lunch breaks. If you like open hostility, this one is for you. If bad attitudes get you down, take a chance and drive on your expired plates for a couple of days and come back when the lines have petered out.

Readers' Choice: City Center, with the Gallery Hop not too far behind.

Best Spot for Voyeurs

The kickplates along the Riffe Center escalators reflect more than the shiniest patent leather shoes in Catholic school ever could have. Stand in the center unless you're running for Mrs. Ohio.

Best Public Aroma

Fourth Street next to the Wonder Bread bakery. Why do they bake at rush hour? Some people stop traffic just to get a whiff.

Best Place To Get Caught By A Train

Route 161 in Linworth If you're going west, you can window-shop at the Volvo dealer. Heading east, stop at the bookstore. Books on trains are in back.

Best Garage Sale Bargain

As a last hurrah before moving to warmer climes and, hopefully, a warmer reception, former Columbus Public Schools superintendent Ron Etheridge held a well-publicized but poorly attended garage sale. Amidst the worn Brooks Brothers suits and 1970s bric-a-brac was a framed copy of *The School Administrator's Code of Ethics*. The cost: 50 cents.

Person Who Least Deserved What They Got

Brenda Dodrill

Hey, she's not the first married person to fool around with the boss. And in that kind of situation, it's tough enough dealing with the spouse, the kids, the in-laws, the lawyers, etc. But to have your indiscretions on the front page of the paper and your romantic Chicago weekend pictures on the six o'clock news, she didn't deserve that.

Person Who Most Deserved What They Got

Mayor Buck

Actually, Buck deserves a lot worse than he's gotten, but it's a start.

Best Place For A Condom Machine

City Hall, apparently.

Readers' Choice: Mayor Buck's office. Campus bars and dorms came in a close second.

Best Job

We really thought that we'd agree with our readers and Buck would win this one, considering Columbus voters have kept him in office despite his behavior over the years. Can you imagine any other job where you could call in the cops just 'cause you got scared at a football game and not get fired?

Les Wexner's position also ranked high with our readers. But, it seemed most of them just wanted to be Wexner, not take on his responsibilities. (No, he doesn't just give money away and jet around the world.)

But, we couldn't give it to any other position after reading this little ad in *The Ohio State Lantern*.

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Readers' Choice: Mayor Buck Rinehart's

READERS' CHOICES *

Best New Restaurant—Christopher's

Best Restaurant When Someone Else Is Paying—Rigsby's

Best Deli—Katzinger's

Best Italian Restaurant—Moretti's

Best Thai Restaurant—Siam, Thai Palace

Best Chinese Restaurant—Hunan House

Best Mexican Restaurant—Talita's

Best Kids' Restaurant That's Tolerable For Adults—Chuck E. Cheese

Best Breakfast Spot—Bob Evans

Best Sunday Brunch—One Nation

Best Cheap Eats—Daddy-O's

Place With The Hottest Sauce—BW-3

Best Place To Get a Cup of Coffee—White Castle

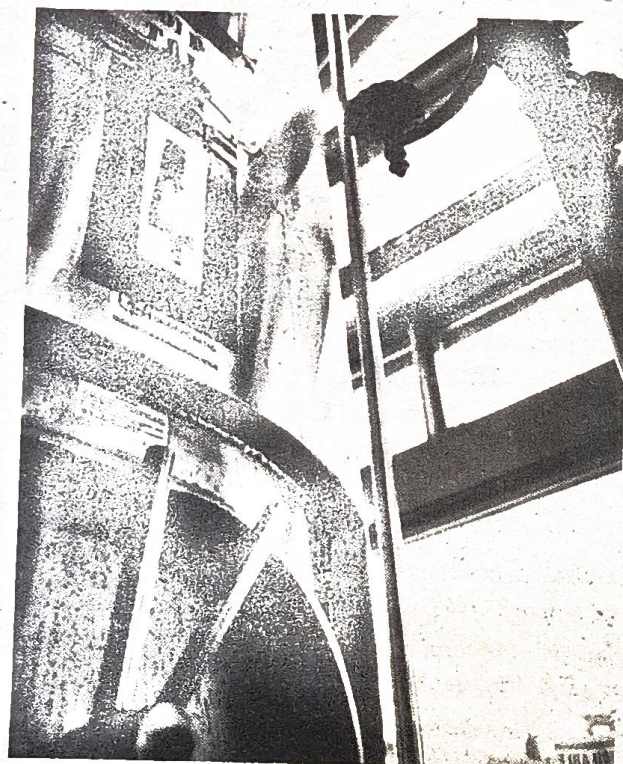
Best Cappuccino—Umberto's, Stauf's

Best Bagels—Block's

Best Bakery—French Loaf

Best Bread—French Loaf

Best Muffins—French Loaf



Best Brew Pub—Hoster

Yuppiest Bar—Victory's, Gibby's

Best Neighborhood Bar—Short North Tavern

Best Sports Bar—Damon's Clubhouse, Scoreboard

Best Piano Bar—Bexley's Monk

Best Dive Bar—Dick's Den

Best Concert Club or Venue—Newport

Best Comedy Club—Funny Bone

Best Dance Club—Garage, Wall Street

Best Jukebox—Blue Danube, Bier Stube

Best Local Touring Band—Arnett Howard

Best Local Band—Arnett Howard

Best Radio Station—CD101

Best Morning Radio DJ (or Team)—Wags & Elliott

Best Record Store (Used)—Used Kids

Best Record Store (Chain)—Camelot

Best Record Store (Local)—Magnolia

Best Videotape Rental Store—Blockbuster

Best Movie Theater—Drexel

Best Second-Hand or Vintage Store—Atlantis,

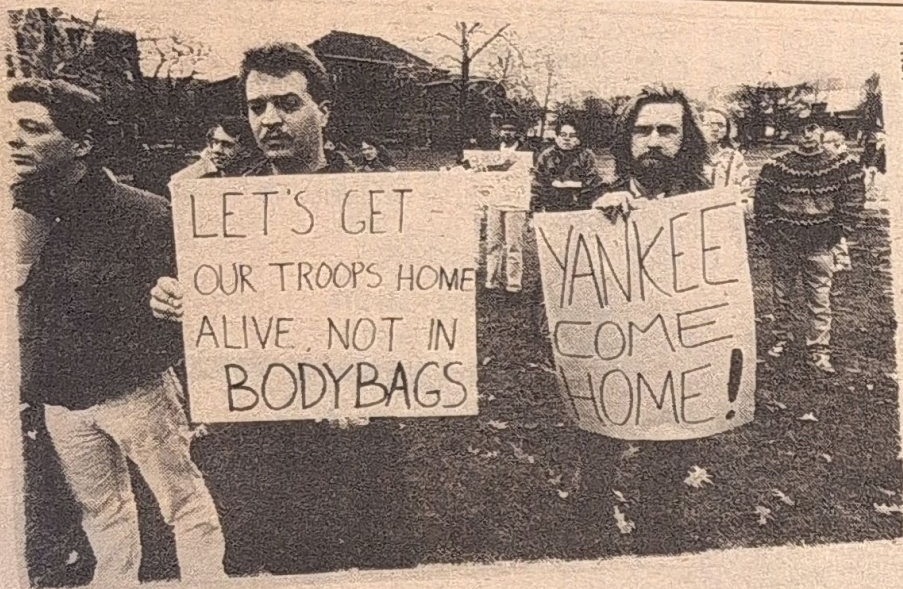


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Most Welcome Addition Peace Rallies

I've been to pro-choice rallies, anti-nuke rallies and OSU Buckeye rallies, but this was my first peace rally. Nothing like the others, that's for sure. What was for sure was that many of the people there weren't sure what to do. I hope the younger folks in the crowds get the hang of it and learn to use their voices to chant, question and assert. But then again, I wish the rallies didn't have to take place in the first place and that peace was a given.

—P.S.

Deadly Excess The Gulf War

The sabre-rattling and macho posturing of 1990 seem likely to result in loss of life, destruction, economic disaster and potential environmental ruin in 1991, making the levities of this page rather like Nero fiddling as Rome burned. At least that would be the case if we central Ohioans could control the events in the Gulf.

As it is, we can only watch in horror as all factions claim that God is on their side and oil merely an afterthought. We only can stand by as Saddam Hussein continues his absurd rampage of terror and George Bush defies the wimp factor. And we can only spectate as humanity proves that it's learned nothing at all from history, preferring rolling tanks and military hardware to long-term peace and reconciliation.

One prominent politician suggested that if someone has broken into your house, you don't negotiate; you just force him to leave. We beg to differ. If you want your house back (and Kuwait, by the way, is not *our* house), you talk before you shoot. Especially if the fighting is likely to turn your entire street, along with everyone who lives there, into rubble.

What Is A Power Pig?

Is its first name George, last initial B? Does it dress in blue and wear chrome aviator shades? Is it a slaughterhouse inmate with an outside connection? Or a new kind of motorcycle? Or a guy who has to have all the chips? Is a power pig a name someone's kid came up with? Or did some hot-stuff ad exec buy his BMW with the fee he charged for coming up with the handle? Is there a satanic message hidden in there somewhere?

Or, hey, how about this? How about a radio station named the Power Pig? Cool, huh?

Worst Editing

Sad to say, but Kay and Lisa at our own *Columbus Alive* win the dubious honors for this one. There it is, in our October 25-November 8 issue under *Kaleidoscope's* events listing for November 7—the word "VOTE!" in bold letters. But Tuesday, November 6, was election day. Lisa, who is supposed to catch these errors, claims that she must have looked at August in our yearly calendar to verify the date, and August 7 is a Tuesday, but that's no excuse.

Best Dispatch Story

Forget the Rinehart-Dodrill story, nothing tops this wire piece that ran in the *Dispatch* November 6.

■ Rumors of genital-stealing thieves result in 150 arrests

Dateline: Lagos, Nigeria

Police arrested 150 people for spreading rumors that sorcerors have been stealing men's genitals. The rumors led to at least three deaths, police said yesterday.

Deputy Police Commissioner James Danbab announced the arrests after rumors about the purported thefts swept the west African capital.

Mobs killed at least three people accused of stealing the organs.

According to the rumors, the alleged sorcerors approached strangers and asked them for directions.

Later, the victims reportedly said their genitals were missing.

Perhaps the title of the article should have been *Honey, What Pants Was I Wearing Earlier?* or *Honey, Have You Seen My...?*

Most Inane Editorial

We've read some pretty bad editorials in our time, including some with incorrect facts, off-the-wall assumptions and a few—actually quite a few—that we just plain didn't agree with. But the editorial in the October 6 *Dispatch* about Pillsbury recalling one of its brownie mixes because it had nuts in it was a real loser.

Not only was it a "problem" few except Pillsbury even care about, the editorial wasn't even funny. And, the writer added a complete nonsequitur about marijuana in brownies. Say what?

With so many important issues to deal with—homelessness, poverty, war, education, etc.—surely the *Dispatch* could have devoted its valuable editorial space to a worthier topic.

Best Place To Wipe Your Feet

There they are, one evening each week, as, burdened with coat, purse, a diaper bag and a sleepy two-year-old, I make my way to my front door. And there I go, slipping on those plastic door-hanger bags and dropping everything except, luckily, the baby. Inside the little bags are a *ThisWeek*, a coupon and a flyer from my neighborhood Big Bear store—trash. Seriously, does anyone actually read any of those? And why, if these little door-hangers are so handy, can the delivery person never get them on my front door?

Then, on Wednesdays, I receive my *Westerville News*, which, being quite a bit smaller, doesn't seem to be such an obstacle. Of course, this makes it all the worse when I kick it into the bushes.

In addition to being hazardous obstructions, all these nifty newspapers and flyers are packaged in plastic—unrecyclable plastic. My friends and family, being the thrifty and environmentally conscious people they are, have endeavored to find ways to use these flimsy landfill-fillers. A friend uses the door-hanger bags in her car for trash. My sister packs her son's lunches in them. Another friend uses the baggies to clean up her cats' litterbox and another to pick up doggie doo-doo, appropriate uses. Officials at SNP should be ashamed of themselves; their plastic bags are too narrow for reuse. No matter how some of us try to use and reuse those bags, they're just adding to our landfill problem. As are the contents.

—L.G.



Best Record Store (For Vinyl)—Singin' Dog

Puttin' on the Dog and Vintage Vogue (3-way tie)

Best Coffee Bean Selection—**Stauf's**

Best Tea Selection—**King Ave. Coffeehouse**

Best Place To Browse—**City Center**

Best Gallery—**Wexner Center, Riley-Hawk**

Best Public Sculpture—**Brushstrokes in Flight**

Best Card Shop—**Hausfrau Haven**

Best Toy Store—**Toys R Us**

Best Jewelry Store—**Diamond Cellar**

Best Pet Shop—**Petland, Capital Area Humane Society**

Best Columbus Park—**Park of Roses**

Best Golf Course—**Muirfield**

Best Renovation of a Historic Structure—**Old Post Office**

Ugliest Building—**Wexner Center**

Best Place to Go Shopping with Your Kids—**City Center**

Best Place to People-Watch—**City Center**

Best Place To Impress Out-of-Towners—**City Center**

Best Inexpensive Date—**Gallery Hop**

Best Job—**Buck Rinehart's, Les Wexner**

Best Place For a Condom Machine—

City Hall/ Rinehart's Office

Best TV Anchor Team—**Doug Adair & Angela Pace**

Best Local Sports Personality—**Jimmy Crum**

Most Memorable Local Sports Event—

OSU/Michigan Games

Best TV Reruns—**Cheers**

Best TV Station For Reruns—**TV28**

Best Use of The State Pen—

Sports Complex, Homeless Shelter

Most Welcome Addition To Columbus—

City Center, Wexner Center

* Bold type indicates top choice.

Biggest Fizzle

The Other Paper

The *Columbus Dispatch* has a long tradition of never mentioning its rival publications by name, as if it were a mighty colossus with its head buried firmly in the sand while annoying gnats buzzed above its head. We have all watched and laughed for years as our daily newspaper's copy editors deleted all references to *Columbus Alive*, turning our award-winning staff into anonymous "local writers." They obviously hoped we'd go away if they ignored us. Well, we didn't.

Here at *Alive*, we are not such shrinking violets. Thus, as *The Other Paper* has started sneaking its way onto our racks, we feel moved to comment—especially as we're so completely unbiased in this matter. Frankly, we could live without *The Other Paper*. It has such a manipulative title, hoping to worm its way into the world of the generic reference; it's a bit like calling a restaurant "That Steak Joint." To be honest, some of us curmudgeons could live without *both* other papers, but that's asking a lot.

Perhaps we're just upset that we suspect that we are not the *other* in question. Perhaps we prefer not to read articles from Suburban News Publications' local papers *twice*. Perhaps we think that *other* is a silly word. Perhaps we're just confused by that funky but oh-so-shallow movie grid. And perhaps we just think those racks ain't really big enough for both of us.

Best Self-Promotion

Shadow Productions

When taken together, what do words such as "hype," "hyperbole" and "insubstantiation" mean to you? We would wager that to many of the arts and music writers in town, they mean Shadow Productions. The company, as you no doubt recall, produced that "electric opera," *Dawn of Infinite Dreams*. Panned by critics, the original script was thoroughly reworked, with the revised edition paying closer attention to such theatrical fundamentals as, say, character development. Despite the company's sincere efforts, however, an improved but nonetheless mediocre production was the result. Shadow Productions also presented a dancer/choreographer whose work was, shall we say, less than exemplary. We wish these people well, but we wish also that they would produce work as grand as their claims.

Best Video Store

Aardvark, 612 N. High St.

Aardvark has movies Frank Gabrenya has never heard of, more John Waters than some stores have foreign flicks, perhaps the city's best laser disc-to-rent selection, more foreign directors, more trashy exploitation movies and the sharpest staff this side of the NYU film school. It's a film nut's paradise. Videos are arranged largely by director. It's a place to hang. Artists, actors, power brokers and just plain folk are members.

As, Aardvark is only one store and in the Short North. If you live in the netherworlds of the city, there's always a Blockbuster Video near. Pretty good selection and cheap, but they don't carry dirty stuff—no way.

Readers' Choice: Blockbuster, with Aardvark a close second.

Best Vintage Clothing

Avalon, 1434 N. High St.

Let the neon "Used Denim" sign in the window lead you to believe Avalon is another tacky store; there's some great stuff here. This vintage clothing store is chock full of choice apparel like '50s beaded sweaters, '60s cocktail dresses, funky shoes, funkier hats and oversized cardigans a la Ward Cleaver. A trip to Avalon uncovered a pleasant surprise: Much of the merchandise is unused. According to store employees, Avalon's buyers travel the globe in search of clothing. Some finds are old items that never left the racks and have been warehoused for years. The result is clothes that are unique, reasonably priced and in prime condition. The employees are friendly and helpful, too.

Readers' Choice: Atlantist and Puttin' on the Dog (different clientele, same owner) and Vintage Vogue are three-way tie

Best Art Gallery

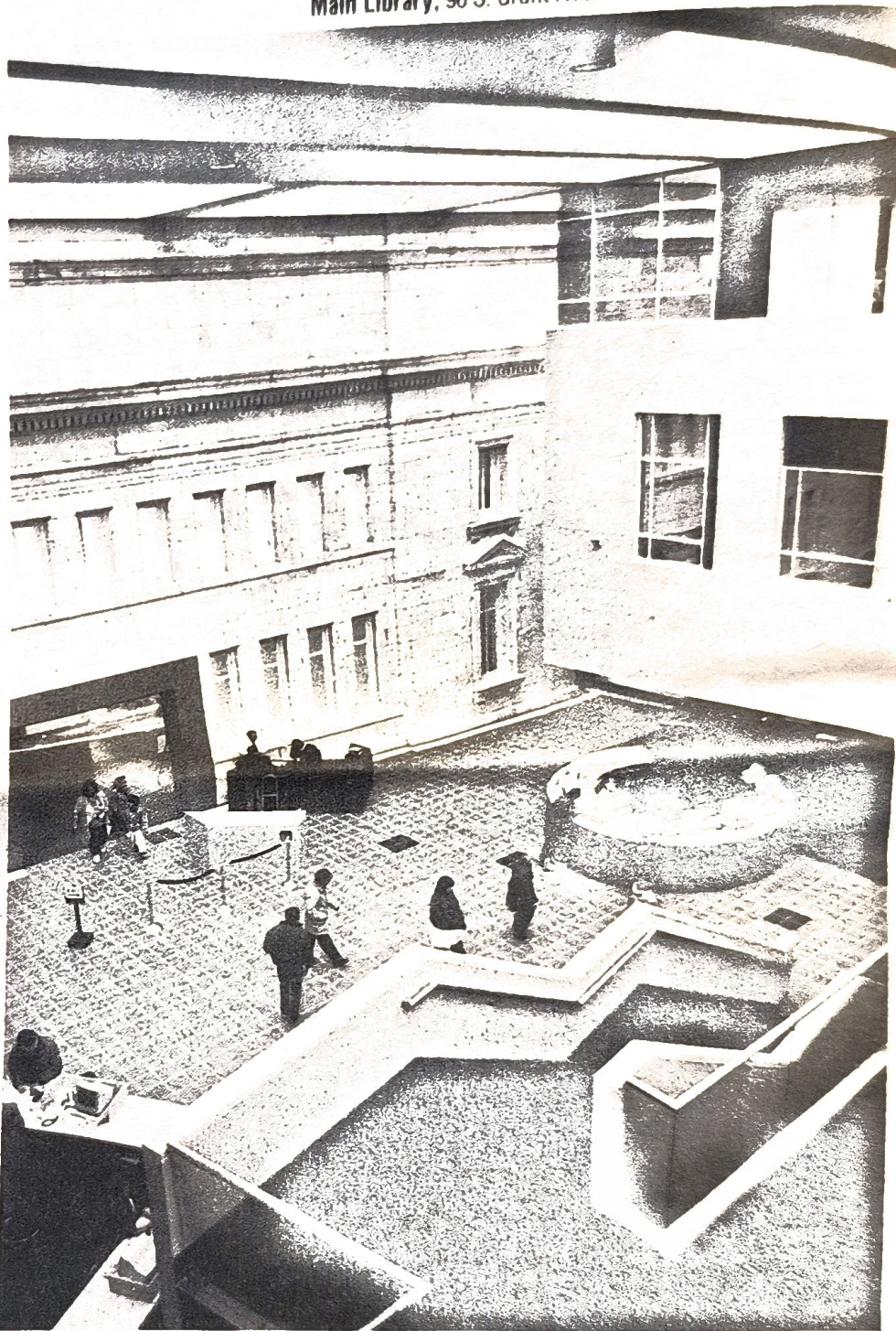
Katz and Dawgs: The Gallery, 440 Dublin Ave.

Leave it to owners Kyle Katz and Ralph Rosenfield to test our community's standards for erotic and provocative art. They've displayed Annie Sprinkle's ample bosom in performance and served caviar with Absolut Vodka art. The gallery, in the shadow of the old Ohio Penitentiary, constantly attracts the weird, the wealthy, the war-weary and the wet-behind-the-ears watchers and viewers of visual and performance arts in Columbus.

Readers' Choice: Wexner Center, with Riley-Hawk second

Best Renovation

Main Library, 96 S. Grant Ave.



It's in with the old and in with the new, too, at the Main Library, which reopened January 2 with an addition to the original, historic Carnegie building. A three-story-high atrium looms above the first-floor information and check-out desks, beautifully tying together the old and the new. What's especially breathtaking is that the back, outside wall of the 1907 structure now serves as an inside wall closing off the west side of the atrium. One can stand on the atrium's open-air staircase and look through the many windows of the Carnegie building and see its interior, which has been spruced up magnificently. The marble, stained glass, wrought iron and mahogany look as fresh as the granite, tile and paint of the new wing.

The library's 256,000 square feet of space allows for more than one million items, including more books, video tapes, magazines, newspapers, larger work areas and a terrific Discovery Center for kids. It is painted in bright colors and features computers for kids, low stacks, a play area with toys and reading aids and an intimate stage area for demonstrations. A new 400-vehicle parking garage (with one hour free parking) completes an enjoyable visit to the city's public learning center.

Readers' Choice: Old Post Office

Best Place For A Developer To Do Something Really Nice

The northeast corner of Broad and High

The Statehouse is cleaned up and getting spiffier. There's no longer an empty restaurant next to the Huntington, and One Columbus cuts a nice figure. That stretch of High Street is set for rebuilding. Now, if something could be done about the old Roy's Jewelers building. Last year, readers tabbed it ugliest downtown building. Well, the coat of battleship gray paint makes a nice tribute to troops preparing for the oil war, but the crossroads of Ohio deserve better.

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Best Paint Job

The North Market, 29 Spruce St. Best paint job? Well, the doors, vents, pipes, window ledges and walls at both the north and south entrances to the market have been painted in a variety of colors, creating a festive feeling. But the real reason we put it in this category is because we couldn't choose a favorite vendor or item located on the inside—too many good things. There are stands selling fresh seafood, sausage, cheeses, fruits and vegetables, beans and dried goods as well as flowers, wine, rocks, jewelry and baskets. One item that caught our eye, however, and pleased the folks back at the office was a lump of Raisin Walnut Bread. The note describing it reads: "No oils, milk, eggs, nor sugars of any kind, yet it is moist, chewy and delicious." We couldn't agree more.



Best Playground Basketball On A Summer Night

Orton Davis Park, 4855 Etna Rd. in Whitehall

A few old-timers (over 25) grouse that indoor summer leagues like Worthington's have taken some of the luster off the traditional playground game. But if you're young and cocky or old and wondering if you still have it, check out Orton Davis Park. When things warm up, catch a few legends—past and future—or create one of your own.

Best Park

Park of Roses

In NYC's Central Park, you can drop in on a wedding without feeling like an intruder and be mugged mercilessly. In the Park of Roses, aka Whetstone Park in Clintonville, ditto on the weddings, but muggings are usually nothing more than having your toes run over by baby stroller wheels or a senior's walking cane. Even when there are no blooms on the bushes, afternoon sunlight warms faces and hearts. When that old Roman ode-writer Horace advised, "Cease your efforts to find where the last rose lingers," he tipped his hand that he already knew about our little park. Can AmeriFlora touch this?

Readers' Choice: Whetstone Park

Best Re-opening

Donut Kitchen in Grandview



Health problems (not caused by too many donuts) forced owner Fred Wehr to shutter the 12-year-old Third Avenue landmark in August. Panic spread that it might go the way of Big Bite or Zantigo and never be seen again. But three months, two weeks and one day later, the trays of dunkers reappeared on the formica counter and brought the regulars back with them. DK is famous for its "donut polls" around election time, with sales of certain donuts predicting the outcome of presidential, gubernatorial, senatorial races, etc. Too bad it was closed on November 6 or Tony C. might have had a chance.

Best Power Breakfast

Tee-Jaye's at Grandview and 33

Doin' the deal over a barnyard buster. Early risers usually can catch a glimpse of both power brokers and wannabe politicians here. Sure you might go red-line with your cholesterol, but that coffee is the best this side of *Twin Peaks*.

Best Restaurant When Someone Else Is Paying

Rigsby's Cuisine Volatile, 698 N. High St.

What can we say? There's a fair amount of marvelous food in this town and a number of truly good restaurants, but there's just something about Rigsby's... It's much too expensive for us poor alternative news types to afford with any regularity, which is unfortunate because it rates extremely high on the F.O. (food orgasm—*What??* You've never had one? You've been eating the wrong food) scale. Despite the (at times) pretentious atmosphere, it's impossible to get through a meal at Rigsby's without moaning out loud at least once. The food is so good that it's simply impossible to restrain oneself.

Readers' Choice: Rigsby's

Best Sunday Brunch

Hyatt restaurants

The Hyatt on Capitol Square's Plaza Restaurant and the Hyatt Regency's Glass Garden Restaurant both present Sunday brunches that are, in a phrase, an embarrassment of riches. Both feature such delectables as made-to-order omelets, carved roast beef, patés, eggs benedict, potatoes, bacon and sausage, muffins, waffles, shrimp cocktail, Danish, blintzes, pastas with a variety of sauces and numerous kinds of salads, crudité, cheeses, fruits and desserts.

When directed toward the buffet by a waiter one Sunday at the Plaza, he pointed out that we couldn't miss it, "because it goes on for about a block." He wasn't exaggerating. Imagine eating your way south from State Street until the middle of the block, and you'll have some idea of what he was referring to. The *coup de grace*, however, was the discovery that one might indulge in bottomless glasses of Moët Chandon (Hyatt Cuveé) champagne, should one so choose. (The Glass Garden sells it by splits.)

In fact, it should be mentioned that, save for that last touch, the "best" brunch was a tie between the Hyatt restaurants and One Nation. One Nation, we learned, serves Cook's by the glass. No contest.

Readers' Choice: One Nation

Best Bagels

Block's Hot Bagels Deli & Bakery

Unquestionably! Baked fresh daily. Eat 'em there at either of their two locations (at 4315 E. Broad St. and 6115 McNaughten Center with a third soon to open in the Sawmill area), take 'em home or get 'em from almost anywhere else, because Block's delivers to just about every other restaurant and store in town. Transplanted East Coasters are known to make easier adjustments to Columbus after being turned on to this staple of life. Other bagels are either from the frozen foods section (yuk!) or baked by the wrong ethnic baker and just taste too *gayish*!

Readers' Choice: Block's

Best Goy Deli

Bermuda Onion, 660 N. High St.

It's got all the trappings of a fine deli—overstuffed sandwiches, cholent, corned beef from Kelly's in Chicago, breads and bagels from Block's, kreplach and matzoh soups, challah French toast, gourmet coffee from Stauf's, homemade New York-style cheesecake—but not a Jewish proprietor, manager or chef in the place. Co-owners Doug Neal and Tim Miller, manager Michael Harrison and chef Tim Olszewski have turned a narrow, former Short North bar into a thriving eatery. While the necessary Jewish deli staples are in abundance, other countries' foods get their due. For breakfast, for instance, try a Mexican Hangover Omelet filled with sautéed onions, green peppers, salsa and served over tortilla chips. There are brats, Chicago-style hot dogs, kielbasa, various stuffed pieroghis, Caesar salads and good ole American PB&J sammies. Oh, and don't forget that when you ask for an onion on your sandwich, it'll be a Bermuda one.

Best Soul Food

C 'n' S Lounge, 2753 E. Fifth Ave.

We may not be real fans of soul food, but the C 'n' S Lounge can persuade even us to sample its ribs, chitlin's and greens. And top it all off with a calorie-laden sweet potato pie. C 'n' S also has a pool table and is open late at night. Nobody'll bother you there, but that could be because (at least on Friday and Saturday nights) patrons are frisked. And, don't expect the waitress to take your food order at your table; it's take a number at the bar. Why not give your cholesterol level a reason to increase? Go ahead, live dangerously.

Best Thai (Almost Dry)

Bangkok Grocery and Restaurant, 3277 Refugee Rd.

Every Oriental spice, condiment and foodstuff ever heard of, and many more never heard of, line the shelves of this exotic supermarket with a small restaurant tucked in on one side. Who knows what is still available on those shelves after the recent FBI raid, brought to us on live TV news, of Oriental food stores on the East Coast and in Columbus? The food is deliciously cooked to order and immediately brought steaming to the table. The best way to enjoy it is to go as a group. Why the almost dry label? Because you can order beer but not wine.

Best Mexican Restaurant In Columbus

Zippo. Nada. No, that's not the name of a great place for chicken enchiladas or chile rellenos. The sad truth is there isn't a really good Mexican restaurant in C'Imbus. For those who have visited or lived in the Southwest and hunger for the subtle white sauces, great seafood and fabulous seasoning found in Mexican and Tex-Mex eateries there, we can offer only one suggestion: Call Delta and book a round trip.

However, there is hope, considering that some people are noticing the void. Tucson's Cafe may not be completely authentic, but it's a lot better than most. It's got some really nice fish dishes, tasty chile rellenos and several other menu items that are as close to the real thing as we've got.

Readers' Choice: Talita's

Best Hot Sauce

Asian: Incendiary hot sauces can be found at various Chinese and Thai restaurants around town, but one of the truly sinus-purging dishes in Columbus is served at Nong's Hunan Express, 1634 Northwest Blvd. in Grandview. The little take-out place has just a couple of tables for the critically weary and the wildest lemon grass soup around. Tohm Kah Gai is Thai soup with chicken cooked in coconut milk and galanga lemon juice, plus an assortment of leaves and bark-like spices that make the aroma alone lethal. Two other variations of this Thai treat are available at Nong's, in addition to curries, appetizers and a full Chinese menu.

South of the Border: Hot is hot and tasty in Mexico. For that, Talita's green sauce is unmatched. But for homemade (and even livelier tasting)-sauce, my brother's recipe holds my special reverence. It follows:

Randy's Hot Sauce

½-1 lb. tomatillos usually available at Cub Foods
½-1 onion
4-6 sprigs fresh coriander (cilantro)
can usually be found at Crestview Market
4-8 chiles, jalapenos or serranos (which are hotter)
1/2-1 clove garlic cloves
pinch of salt

Husk, rinse and wash the tomatillos, then boil 10 min. or until soft. Add peppers and boil for about 5 minutes. Put all ingredients in a blender.

Other: Where hot is just hot, pure tongue-burning, Buffalo Wild Wings & Weck's wings get the golden thermometer. Only iron-lined mouth cavities dare sample BW-3's hottest.
Readers' Choice: BW-3.

—C.S.

Biggest Disappointment

The restaurants of the Brewery District

Let's face it, the Brewery District was, briefly, the hope of culinary Columbus. We collectively held our breath in anticipation, trembling at the thought of three or four high-quality dining establishments operating within yards of one another. But alas, it was not to be. While the restoration of the district was and is a class idea, the grub didn't live up to expectations. Perhaps most disappointing is the takeover of these restaurants by the folks who operate Salvi's, Italian cooking in the best Midwest tradition. And so we remain a city of one million hungry souls who can count on one hand our community's really great restaurants. As they say in the majors, there's always next season.

Best Cheap Eats

Maybe the only restaurant in town to serve cooked cabbage as a side dish and decorate its walls with put-together puzzles, the **Queen Bee**, 248 S. Fourth St., lives up to its great name. Roast beef, meat loaf and all the usual home-cooked dishes are the little joint's staples, and they're cheap, too.

Nancy's, 3133 N. High St., goes all the other diners one step better: The classic breakfast-counter-within-reach-of-the-grill eatery features what are surely the most inexpensive meals in town. And to guarantee it, Cindy—there has never been a Nancy since I've gone there—sizes you up at the end of your breakfast and seems just to dare you to guess how little it'll cost. There are never any guest checks or other such formalities.

Shades, 983 E. Fifth Ave., also doesn't believe in bills, although the specials and even prices (!) are posted. The little trucker's stop is very open and friendly to all chillun. George, the head dude, has been there forever, as has the head cook.

Reader's Choice: Daddy-O's

—C.S.

Best Original Sandwich

The Hangover at Chef O'Nette, 2090 Tremont Center

It's simple, really. A deluxe cheeseburger with a slice of smoked ham. Not named for its curative powers following a night of ripping through UA but monickered because the ham slice hangs over the side of the 4½-inch sesame bun. H.M. Howard put it on his menu when he opened his little diner across from the Upper Arlington Main Library 35 years ago and has sold "thousands and thousands" since then. The sandwich alone is \$1.90, or get it with fries and slaw for \$3.25. Dave Thomas, pay attention.

Best Cappuccino

Stauf's Coffee Roasters, 1277 Grandview Ave.

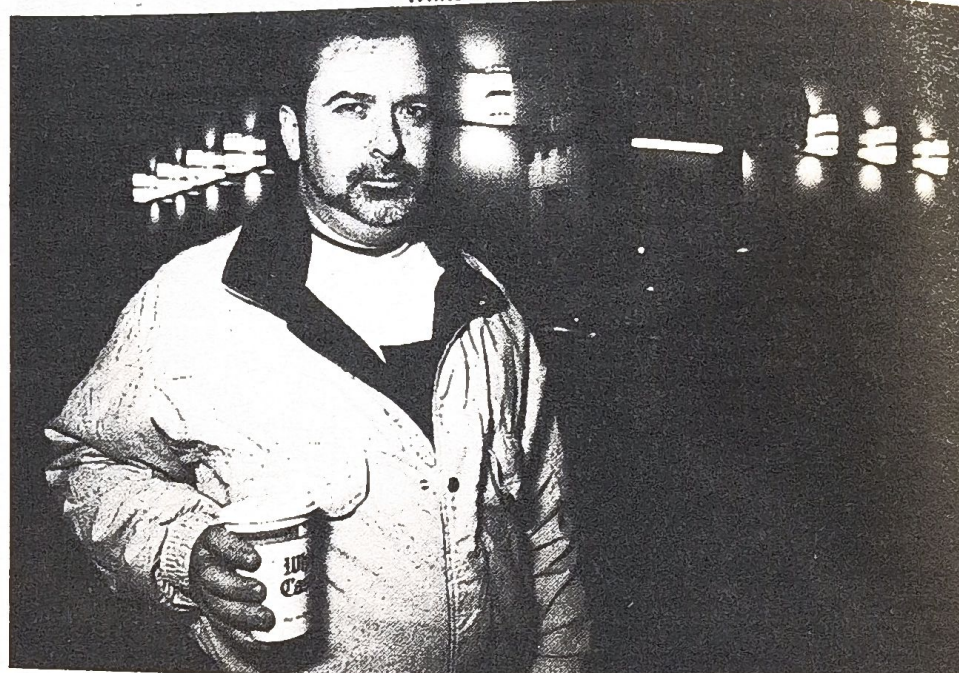
One of the many delights provided by the San Francisco Bay area is great coffee. It's everywhere. There are more than 70 coffee-roasting companies in the region, and every restaurant and sidewalk café—no matter how tiny—sells wonderful coffee, espresso, cappuccino, caffè latté, etc. Luckily for Columbus, one of the Bay area's coffee *aficionados* journeyed to OSU to attend college—and stayed.

Stauf's owner, Tom Griesemer, apprenticed for several years with a master roaster in California and had intended to head back to the West Coast following graduation. However, after discovering the state of the coffee business in Columbus (disappointing, shall we say), he decided to stay on and eventually opened Stauf's.

The aroma that greets one upon entering is sheer heaven to any coffee lover, and the cappuccino is the best we've tasted in this city. But Griesemer offers much more than excellent cappuccino and coffee. Sure, you can stop in for a cup of coffee or buy high-quality, fresh-roasted beans to take home. But, if you also want to know anything at all about coffee—which type of bean and roast is best suited to your taste, the best grind for your coffee maker, the proper way to brew good coffee, etc.—just ask Griesemer. Not only is he friendly and quite willing to talk about his favorite beverage, but he's absolutely laden with fascinating information about one of the world's oldest drinks.

Best Place For Coffee

White Castle



There's plenty of heated disagreement about the palatability and digestibility of White Castle hamburgers, but few will dispute that the porcelain boxes can brew java. The coffee is consistently good, be it 2:15 a.m. or on the way to work the next morning. But remember a few simple rules about being a White Castle customer: One, never touch a counter or any other surface in the building that could have made contact with another customer or an employee. And two, never offer a ride to fellow customers who were there when you stopped in after the bars closed and are still there when you drop by on the way to the office. Hey, hey, hey, listen up, let's be careful out there.

Readers' Choice: White Castle by a landslide

Best Greasy Spoon Breakfast

Goody Boy Drive-In, 1144 N. High St.

On the fringe of the Short North, the Goody Boy is really an old drive-in in the style of many mom-and-pop operations that once dominated the scenery across the country. A no-nonsense haven of blue-collar types peppered with assorted street regulars, you get the impression that slumming preps and artsies are truly invading. No surprises here. Breakfast is served all day long, and there's counter seating only.



Beware: Cockroach Crossing

Olentangy Inn, 1299 Olentangy River Rd.

Okay, before you assume we're slamming the O.I., let's make it clear that this is one of our favorite places to go when we're drunk and starving at 3:30 a.m. The food is decent, the price is low and the servers are genuinely friendly (a hell of a feat for anyone working at that hour of the morning). Nevertheless, the last time I was in the O.I. (only to do research, honest—I'm never inebriated and hungry at 3:30 a.m., really), a roach the size of a tank (roughly speaking) lumbered across the floor, heading straight for my right foot. Needless to say, I ate the rest of my omelet with my feet tucked up underneath me, safely out of harm's way. We wholeheartedly recommend the O.I.—just be prepared to sit Indian fashion while you're there. Either that, or take someone with you who doesn't have a bug phobia and will smash the damn things for you.

—K.M.

Best Food At OSU Stadium

The press box at Ohio Stadium

It's not the best place to watch a football game. The enclosed, elevated atmosphere cuts you off from the crowd's excitement, which is what makes Buckeye football what it is. Don't feel sorry for the journalists, though. The press box buffet is run by the Ohio State Agricultural Department and features only food grown in our home state. Halftime fare includes garden-fresh vegetables, veal, hamburger and potato chips from independent mom-and-pop companies all over Ohio. —R.H.

Kids' Restaurant That's Tolerable for Adults

Chuck E. Cheese, Columbus Square

Take 'em in, give them a couple of tokens and turn 'em loose. Forget about the mediocre pizza and the wilted salad bar, just let the kids play games, ride on the made-for-kids amusement rides and watch Chuck and Company do their stuff as long as the tokens and the beer hold out. Face it, take away the beer license, and those animated characters up front just aren't as funny.
Readers' Choice: Chuck E. Cheese

Best Potato Chip

K2U, 641 N. High St.

Some people see the sweet potato as something better left on their plates at Thanksgiving. Those wacky new-wavers at K2U have fried it into a crispy and incredibly sweet chip. Relatively inexpensive, the K2U sweet potato chip is a colorful side dish that complements the seafood gumbo (or anybody's beer) quite artfully. Karen Finley can have the yams; let K2U take the sweet potato.

Best Sweet Potato Pie

My Mama's Sweet Potato Pie

The "mama" in this success story is Eliza Swain, the mother of co-owner Marvin Swain. As his partner, Jimmy Harmon, tells it, back in Springfield, Ohio, where the Swains lived, relatives, neighbors and friends were always asking "Mama Swain" to make her delicious sweet potato pie for special occasions. It seems that her pie made almost every event a little more eventful.

Son Marvin didn't think much about his mama's pie's popularity until a few years ago when he discovered that no store carried a sweet potato pie, one of his favorite dishes. According to Jimmy, it got to the point where Marvin wondered why nobody had marketed a sweet potato pie to local grocery stores. That's when he thought of Mama Swain's delectable dish.

He asked her to mix up three different recipes, chose the best and expanded it so that it made 100 pies instead of one or two. For a while, Marvin sold them from the trunk of his car. Later, he and his partner, Jimmy, operated from Jimmy's basement. For the past five years, they've occupied a building at 1828 E. Hudson. Now, My Mama's Sweet Potato Pie is in numerous grocery stores and restaurants all over town, including Kroger, Big Bear, Damon's, Honey-Baked Hams and Big City Diner. Try it with coffee and a big dab of whipped cream on top.

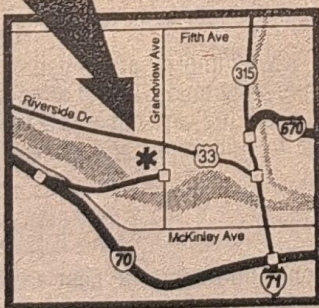
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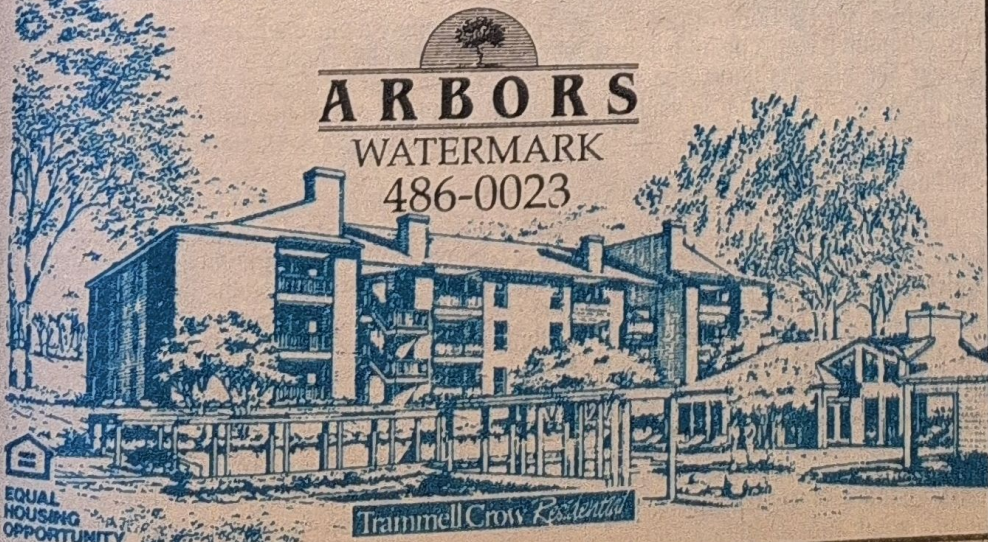
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The French Loaf has it all. Eclairs, petit fours, cakes, truffles, muffins, cookies, napoleons, bavarian creams, pies, chocolate-dipped strawberries, fruit and custard tarts and a variety of breads. And, like several other bakeries in town, it provides a number of small tables for dining, as well as coffee and other beverages to accompany whatever delicious concoction you have chosen to devour.

Whole World also wins the "Best", given that its offerings are as unique as they are tasty. Whole World products are "natural"—i.e., they're made with whole-grain flours and honey as opposed to bleached baker's flour and sugar. While the selection differs somewhat from The French Loaf's—far fewer pastries and more items such as date bars, apple and oat bars, cashew and coconut bars, etc.—it offers such confections as eclairs, muffins and cookies as well. A variety of fresh breads, such as herb, black, butter, wheat and pumpernickel also are available.

Whole World, as the name suggests, offers more, however. The establishment is actually a tiny restaurant, and pizzas, sandwiches, salads and daily specials, such as a pasta dish, may be consumed before moving on to the delectable desserts.

Readers' Choice: French Loaf

Best Biscuits

Cooker Restaurants

As Kinky Friedman once sang, "Get your buns out of bed and your biscuits in the oven." Thanks to the Cooker restaurants, you don't have to get up early or throw the dough in the oven to partake of these flaky golden treats. Biscuits aren't just for breakfast any more, since the three area Cooker establishments serve up a full basket of the chewy delights for lunch and dinner. They go great with the restaurants' home-cooked meals like meatloaf and pot roast. And, of course, if you prefer your biscuits with tea and honey in the morning, they're served at the Cookers' Sunday brunch.

Best Bloody Mary

Choosing the best Bloody Mary is like choosing a stray to adopt at the dog pound; no two are remotely alike, yet, they're all the same species. Expecting the requisite stalk of celery finds one quickly disappointed. Greenery in Columbus drinks is largely a thing of the past. To the rescue, though, is the funky spice of Union Station's (630 N. High St.) version. The seasoning is made by instinct, not by mix, and an extra dose coats the rim of the glass for spiceaholics.

I swear the Mohawk's (821 Mohawk St.) Bloody Mary used to come garnished with a stalk of you-know-what, but no more. Their concoction, though heavy on the horseradish and lip-smacking otherwise, is as well-balanced a throat-burner as is available.

One more notable sample: Key Largo's stout little Mary is available for just a dollar every Wednesday at 395 W. Dodridge.

—C.S.

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City Lights, 161 N. High St. The dance floor is small at City Lights, but the music is certainly danceable—progressive rock, funk and dance tunes—and on any weekend night, the crowd is large. Again, this is a see-and-be-seen kind of place. If that's what you're into, go for it; if you're just looking for a place to dance, you'll have to ignore the throng of uptight New York yuppie standards. Still and all, a good dance bar.

Wall Street has a big dance floor and good music. The crowd is generally college-aged and somewhat artsy, although representatives of the over-30 set certainly are evident. It's fairly easy to live and let live at Wall Street, although the end of the evening may bring some rather entertaining offers. Wall Street has something of a "gay bar" reputation, which is unfortunate, because people of all sorts of sexual preferences hang out and dance there.

The Garage is a gay bar, and like most gay bars, it's a great place to dance, whether one is straight or gay. Like Wall Street, the dance floor is large and the music hot; unlike Wall Street, the crowd tends to be a bit older and, therefore, somewhat more comfortable with itself and less concerned with looking as cool as possible at all times. What's more, The Garage has staying power. As other dance bars (whether straight or gay) have come and gone, it has remained a steadfastly reliable place for a fun evening of dancing.

R'n'R USA, 6252 Busch Blvd. If you're just old enough to drink, completely mainstream and want to get laid, this is the place for you. R'n'R is, according to a large banner spanning the room, a place dedicated to "the pursuit of happiness." It's also an edifice in which hormones rage freely.

The dance floor is reasonably sized but features raised "islands" on which anyone touched by the muse may gyrate in especially good view of the watching crowd. They were usually occupied by self-conscious young women faking it as go-go dancers or couples immobilized in that peculiarly adolescent embrace wherein each one's arms are locked around the other's neck, with foreheads reverently touching. A Vulcan mind meld, perhaps? The music, alas, was the most anemic dance music I've heard in ages.

Naturally, none of this has affected in the least the fact that R'n'R is one of the most popular places in town. Different strokes for different folks.

Readers' Choice: Garage with Wall Street dancing close behind.

—K.M.

Best Argument For Socialism

Headliners, 1664 E. Dublin-Granville Rd.

A sort of nouveau-riche Alrosa, Headliners takes ostentatiousness into new territory in Columbus. The 3,000-seat nightclub has a strict dress code (no jeans, sneakers or berets) and enough glitz to fill Graceland. Seven separate bars and a small, secluded club provide a playground for suburban poodles and brawny lads with money to burn. Blues and jazz bands play the front club, and regional, Top 40 groups play the main room. And "track artists"—rock stars who sing to their own backing tapes and sign autographs—fill in on special nights.

Headliners intends to book acts like Mariah Carey and Michael Bolton in the future. There is a definite need for that sort of booking in a suburban setting. One suspects, though, they'll have to *soft-pedal* the "classy" side (i.e., relax the dress code) to make it last. I wonder if the acts have to conform to dress code?

Shittiest Bathrooms—Boys'

The Distillery, 1896 N. High St.

Just like topping the worst-dressed lists each year, dominating this category repeatedly is nothing to strive for. The Distillery's men's head has had its ups and downs this year—the two-foot hole in the wall next to the toilet was filled, the stench has sweetened—but for pure, murky atmosphere, olfactory assault, absence of anything to wipe hands, etc. with and caked wall matter, this one can't be beat for the second year in a row.

Shittiest Bathrooms—Girls'

Campus

The Distillery, 1896 N. High St., wins again, pants down. No need to repeat last year's diatribe; suffice it to say, it stinks. **Stache's** tied with the Distillery last year, and what followed was pleasing to all women. Dan had the girls' room painted, the toilet unplugged and continues to keep it tidy. He's discovered, however, that keeping the toilet free of hairbrushes wasn't easy. He's persisted, though, and has the plumber in on a routine basis to dredge out what some rude ladies keep mis-discarding. Just a note, Dan: Several women have asked us to remind you that they use more TP than guys.

Honorable mention goes to the **Newport**. Once again, male architects have prevailed and there are never enough stalls. And the ones that are usable don't have doors that stay closed. But there are mirrors, so that while you're in line for 20 minutes missing your favorite song by your favorite band, you can stare at yourself from across the room. Only it's not too comforting since many of the other faces staring in the mirror are 10 to 15 years younger than most of us.

Best Bathrooms—Girls' and Boys'

Headliners, 1664 E. Dublin-Granville Rd.

The Field brothers, owners of Headliners, must have wives, girlfriends or sisters because they built their club with plenty of bathrooms. There are three for each gender scattered throughout the place, and they have plenty of stalls. Not only that, they're attractively designed with black-and-white tile, big mirrors, good lighting and—here's the best part—live and in-person attendants. While you may not want to dish out the nonmandatory but obligatory \$1, it's well worth it. The attendants have a ready supply of peppermints, hair spray, perfume and makeup or cologne and aftershave (depending on your gender). Even if you don't use any of these, you can be sure the TP and hand towels are always well-stocked and the counters wiped clean after each visitor so you won't get any soap or water stains on that dashing outfit.

Best Every Other Wednesday (Soon To Be Thursday)

Throat Culture at the Downtown Connection, 1126 N. High St.

Wednesdays aren't known for their happening scene. But being hump day, most people catch the "gotta get out and do something" bug. Well, now there's something happenin' to do. Tucked in a yet-to-be-renovated block of North High Street in the Short North next to the Goody Boy Drive-In, the Downtown Connection plays host to a smattering of regulars every other Wednesday. Until 9 p.m., that is, when the place gets packed like a sardine can with friends, family and fans of Throat Culture. This relatively new quartet puts on a fun, creative show using their voices and body parts as instruments. Who ever thought that James Brown's *I Feel Good* or The Police's *Roxanne* could be so spunky without real horns or guitars? Members of Throat Culture—Ted Rice, Bernard Wilburn, John Bolzenius and Stefan Farrenkopf—throw in some silly fun for good measure, imitating a phone machine and its beep in *I'm In Love With Your Phone Mate*. This is an on week (January 23), so stop by. But get there by 9 p.m., because their set only lasts an hour. Then, in February, the group performs every other Thursday.

Best Used Records

Used Kids, 1992 N. High St.

Call it the Used Kids Aesthetic or the Used Kids Attitude: It all depends on which side of the counter you're on. They've all got it, from Dan on down. Ask for a 50-cent Queen record, and you won't get much of an audience; ask for a rare George Jones or Stooges release, and they're suddenly all ears. But the trick is, they probably will have them both in their overflowing bins of new and used vinyl.

Used Kids—whose name is a variation of the now-defunct Schoolkids moniker—also has a big inventory of used CDs and cassettes from \$1 up. And just recently, they've added a selection of new CDs.

The secret of this black-plastic fetishist's dream is, ironically, the CD boom. Armloads of fresh used titles of all formats arrive daily as the public converts to silver discs. And when they sell used CDs, the bargain hunter gets the clean reproduction of digital sound unscathed for a fraction of the price of a new CD.

Readers' Choice: Used Kids

Best Vinyl

Record Connection, 1403 S. Hamilton Rd.

For a long time, this has been Dead Central. Owner John Hurlbut was a member of the nomadic tribes of Grateful Dead fans before most young Deadheads of today disconnected their training wheels. With the CD revolution, though, Hurlbut has taken up a new crusade. His store carries the largest selection of what the public will buy and manufacturers make available.

As the supply of titles on vinyl dwindles, Hurlbut believes the issuing of records will be taken over by independent companies and cut-out distributors licensing titles on vinyl from the major labels. One way or another, he'll carry the torch as long as he can.

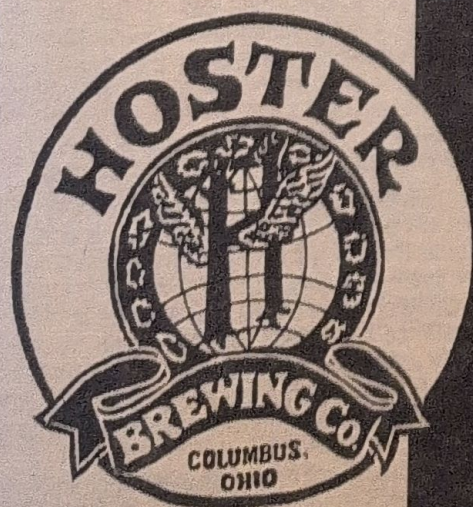
Readers' Choice: Singing Dog

Best Chain

Camelot

In the beginning, there were Peaches and Tower, the original mega-record stores. Peaches is gone, Tower has expanded carefully and several new players have stolen the glory. The best and most successful in Columbus is the Camelot chain, with four locations. Camelot carries videotapes, laser discs, imprinted sportswear and accessories, but no regular selections of vinyl. Instead, the stores carry marked-down wax alongside reduced tapes and CDs. Classical, jazz and most other categories are well-stocked in their regular inventory. And, they rent videos as well. Alas, none of the extensive variety of laser discs is for rent, only for sale.

Readers' Choice: Camelot



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Best Use Of A Guitar

What are Juilliard graduates coming to these days? Katherine Thomas, aka the Great Kat, is a classically trained violinist who claims to be a reincarnation of Beethoven. Her most recent album, *Beethoven on Speed*, features fast, virtuosic electric guitar solos and classical motifs. Her most recent promo pic left most of the women in the office unimpressed, while most of the men expressed a wish to be her guitar.



Loudest Entry Into A Quiet Market

CD101

Whether you love it or are just grateful it exists, WWCD-FM tuned in to Columbus with a format never before offered in the local commercial radio zone. Three weeks after the station went on the air (two during which it didn't utilize DJs), the Arbitron ratings were released and 101, without promotion, showed in the numbers book. In the fall Arbitron book, CD101 ranks 15th out of 35 in the overall category, with a 1.5 share of the market. Among its targeted demographic range (ages 18-24), it was no. 10, with a 3.1 share.

General Manager Gary Richards, a real cowboy-of-the-airwaves, made *Columbus Monthly's* People To Watch year-ender for his accomplishment. And record labels celebrated having a voice for a bunch of recordings they'd left at home in Cleveland during past promotional visits. Now, 101 is taking steps to give its big band a symphonic luster. Broadening, slowly, what is frequently seen as a restrictive playlist, Program Director Kelli Gates is adding special-interest shows and testing new areas of alternative music. Now, about that rap thing.

Readers' Choice for Best Radio Station: CD101

Best Format Change

WCBE-FM

Someone just had to notice that Columbus had two stations playing classical music. WCBE (90.5-FM) did. Starting in the fall, Music Director Bill Munger began hosting a program called *Global Village*—which runs from 9 a.m. to noon five days a week, in place of the station's morning classical schedule. The show features music from all over the world but concentrates on Celtic and folk forms. In the afternoons, WCBE has substituted *Radio Free Columbus* for its afternoon classical programming. It offers a diverse selection, including Cajun, reggae, folk, singer/songwriters and more. With the advent of CD101, we now can find on our radio dials just about any kind of music imaginable. Well, almost.

Most Missed (Almost!)

WBBY 104 FM Radio

Sure, the station soon may be vacating the airwaves, barring a last-ditch effort to overturn an FCC/court-approved decision, but we meant that we've been missing all-jazz radio for the last five years, ever since the station switched to post-elevator, synthesized disco-funk and still insisted on calling it jazz! Ah...for the days when we could hear an entire album side of John Coltrane or Charlie Mingus; when Jazz at MUS-I-COL broadcast live concerts with Rusty Bryant, Joe Diamond and Bob Allen that later became recordings; when we heard Eric Gale, Gene Walker and others coming live from Joe Kelly's. Ah, when...

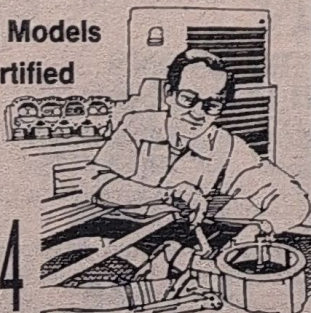
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Best Band

Whaddya want? The local troupe most likely to make it big? That'd be **R.C. Mob**. Their new LP, *Midnight Rose's*, is out February 19. It's a harder, sleeker machine than their previous label debut—more able to pound Cowtown rockin'-funk into the heads of the rest of the world.

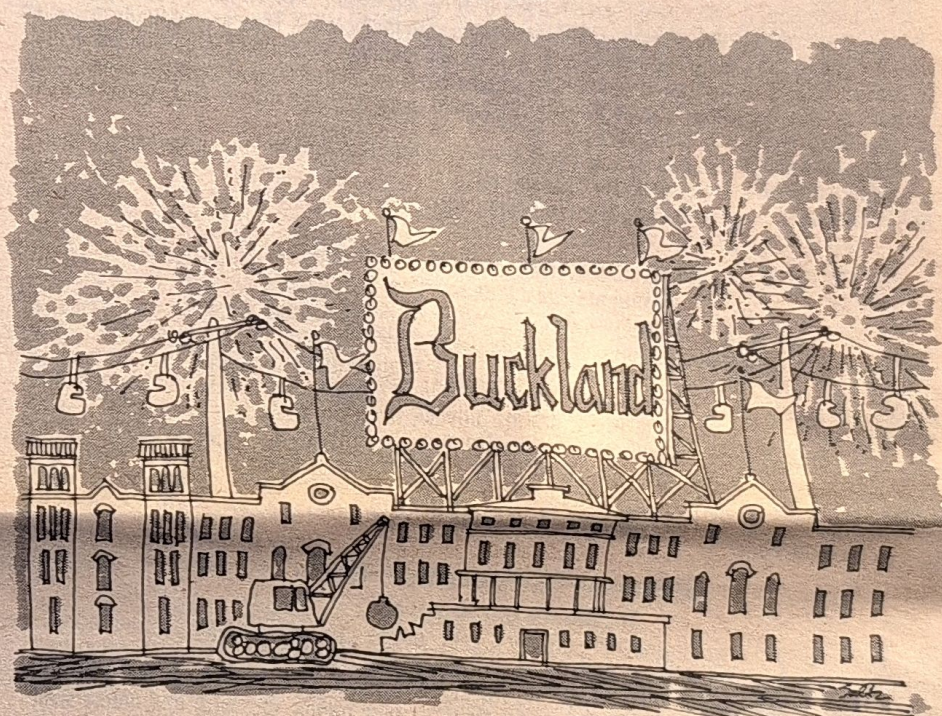
You say, do we have it in a little more dangerous model? Well, yes, and it's called **Pica Huss**. Like a sledgehammer painting with Mudhoney riffs and a stage sense derived from the lyrics of a Captain Beefheart song, the Huss is rising to the top of the alternative heap with an absurdist's stroke.

So, what's new? **Blood Family**. If you want originality, go to the Wexner Center. If you want the punk attitude done with power and style, go see the Blood Family. These former members of Monster Truck and Satan's Bakesale, led by neutron bombshell Jackson Tutti, are changing people's sleeping arrangements all over town.

The birth this year of **Men of Leisure** signaled the maturing of a generation of seasoned blues talent. John Boerstler's ouster from The DeMarcos, a band he co-created, may have been the best thing that could have happened to him. With the smoldering vocal talents of Gaylord DuBois, Boerstler's slithery Chicago blues-styled guitar leads what is already becoming the finest blues band in town.

Lest we lose our taste for the surrealistic hip, **Bop du Fway** came around just in time this year. Vibist, story-teller and second-generation beat poet Joe Ong conspired with straight-man guitarist Derek DiCenzo to create an atmosphere half Captain Kangaroo 'n' Kerouac and half bop-to-death cool. Columbus jazz will never be the same.

Readers' Choice: Arnett Howard and the Creole Funk Band.



Best Use Of The Ohio Pen

Buckland, a theme park for the emotionally disturbed.

Take the controls of a huge wrecking machine and let 'er rip, giving the old prison cafeteria your best shot (don't worry, the state will bill you later). Try Bucky's Drunk Test: You quickly down beers while watching high school football scouting films until you're blotto and call the cops. Or, see if you can shoot yourself in the foot with a shotgun that's resting against your shoe (hint: it's easy). How about the Polygraph Dunking Tank? You perch above 500 gallons of slimy green jello, hooked up to a lie detector. The object of the game is to fib about your personal life without tripping the polygraph, but if you get caught, it's into the slime! And speaking of home-wrecking, fire up the remote control model bulldozers and send them scurrying down the scale model Como Avenue, looking for the perfect home to destroy. If you pick the right one, you win a Brenda doll, complete with travel case. Our Buckland finale each night is a temper tantrum and a *Dispatch* newspaper-burning (steal them from the vending boxes around town and throw them in).

Readers' Choice: A sports complex or arena were most popular, but making the space into a homeless shelter came in a close second.

Best Change Of Heart

We don't want to know why, but when **Doug Kridler** changed his mind about leaving Columbus for an executive position with the Cleveland Symphony, we were monumentally relieved. The man who has had more real impact on downtown music and culture and made CAPA the powerhouse presenter it is would have left a hole the size of Carnegie Hall in arts administration in Columbus. And besides, he hasn't finished with the Great Southern's theater.

Best Talk-Show Rads

Radio talk show hosts seem to have an image of conservative crustiness. So, why is it that in good ole right-wing Columbus, two of our favorites are seasoned lefties? **Fred Anderle** at WOSU appears to be about as middle-of-the-road a mediator as there is, but beneath that calm exterior is a downright, well, liberal humanist. Anderle was even a co-founder of WFAC, a Columbus public-access station (where anyone off the street could create a show) that debuted in 1972.

Jim Bleikamp of WTVN doesn't try as hard to balance his guests' opinions with his own. Conservative arguments don't slide past him as easily as the proverbial water off a duck's back. At the peace rally at OSU January 9, Bleikamp showed his true colors, informing the crowd about the myths surrounding Persian Gulf policy and haranguing the administration for its readiness to commit war.

In mid-January, Bleikamp's uncompromising nature finally got him in trouble. After an on-air debate with U.S. Representative John Kasich, Bleikamp was suspended for a day. Bleikamp was insulted and immediately resigned.

Best TV Anchor Team



The only local "anchor" team that isn't as bland as oatmeal is TV28's perky Suzi and her cohort, Bumm Hickerdiddle. You haven't heard of them? Perhaps that's because you aren't among the hordes of followers who sit bemused in front of the TV at 6:30 a.m. when they come on the air as part of Fox's Kids Club. Sure, they may be a little short on "hard" news, but they've got my kids' attention, and that's good enough for me.

Readers' Choice: Doug Adair and Angela Pace, Channel 4

—L.G.

Gone But Not Forgotten TV Newsreader

Sherryl Sheets

Formerly of WBNS, Sheets knew what she was talking about and was pleasant to watch. Please come back, even if you just do car commercials.

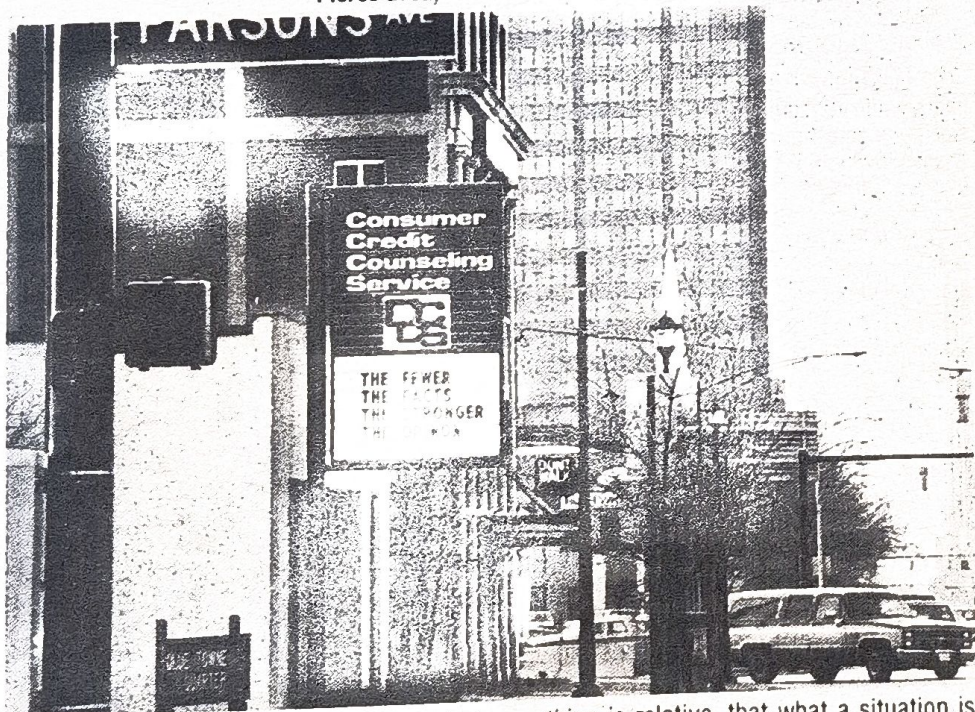
Best Cheap Date

The cheap seats for a Clipper's game at Cooper Stadium. Hell, for under \$10, you can root, root, root for the home team, plus buy beer and snacks. Park illegally for free (discreetly), and obviously, there's no dress code.

Readers' Choice: Gallery Hop

Best Philosophical Quickie

Consumer Credit Counseling Service
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Sometimes, we all need to be reminded that everything is relative, that what a situation is depends upon how we view it. Or, maybe we just need a humorous pick-me-up. In either case, one needs only to drive by the Consumer Credit Counseling Service at the corner of Broad St. and Parsons Ave. or the Pierce Brothers dry cleaners at 5205 N. High St. to obtain such a reminder. Recent gems of wisdom and/or groaner puns that have graced those businesses' appendages are:

- Inflation—a period when two can live as steeply as one.
 - The fewer the facts, the stronger the opinion.
 - Cowboys horse quit—injun trouble.
 - Better broke than never to have loved.
- (Hey, we don't claim that they all make sense...)

Worst Acronym

The best acronyms are easily pronounced and memorable. One example, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), gives a good indication of what the members feel, and another, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), works for all animals, including *pets*. Even such acronyms as NASA and COTA are, at least, relatively pronounceable. But the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) is a mouthful that confuses more than it helps.

Liveliest Art

Wexner Center's *Moths & Linens*

Ann Hamilton's installation in the Wexner Center's *New Works for New Spaces* show was creepy. Well, the 10-foot basinette full of sand and moth larvae was, at least. The rest of the environment she created in the center's giant wedge space was sunny and cheery. Kind of a barnyard, Indian-summer scene in the winter-chilled iron bones of the structure, the corn husk-covered walls and long gauze drapings made people, as well as the burgeoning moth population, feel at home in the space. But the screen doors at each end emitted the occasional winged nuisance when they opened. And guess where the creatures headed—straight down the central ramp to the newly opened cafe.

Best Garage Sale Bargain

As a last hurrah before moving to warmer climes and, hopefully, a warmer reception, former Columbus Public Schools superintendent Ron Etheridge held a well-publicized but poorly attended garage sale. Amidst the worn Brooks Brothers suits and 1970s bric-a-brac was a framed copy of *The School Administrator's Code of Ethics*. The cost: 50 cents.

Sleaziest Used Car Lot

Quality Cars by R.S. Tinsley, 1030 N. High St.

Urban blight. Barbed wire with nasty, prickly bits around it. Snarling, sarcastic guardspeople. Huge pieces of rusting metal. Stalag 49? An alcohol and drug treatment center? No, it's Quality Cars by R.S. Tinsley. This anonymous-looking dealership in a tiny North High lot, surrounded by huge brick edifices, is the kind of place that might give the Reverend Swad a heart attack. Granted, the name doesn't have the sleazy ring of some of Columbus' other used-car emporiums—Sammy's, Roy's, Beanie's, Terry's, Cash Cars, Auto City ("Buy here, pay here") or Miracle Auto (you'll need one)—but we love R.S.'s selection of under-500-bucks dream motors. Need a fine, warranty-less example of mid-'70s American engineering? They're dealing—with real men only.

Best New Invention

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SCUTTLEBUTT

by Fred and Howard

It's difficult to write a column and watch a war—as we all are learning; it's hard to keep your mind on the job. However, we will try to give you some "poop."

We recently spent a weekend in Chicago, staying at Dr. and Mrs. Steve Tuckerman's 79th floor condo in the 95-story John Hancock Building on Chicago's Magnificent Mile. The apartment was so "cushy," it was tough to leave, but we ventured out quite a bit. Chicago's Magnificent Mile of stores was as busy on a snowy Saturday morning as Columbus' City Center, Olde Towne still sizzles and Second City is alive and very well.

Fred is not crazy about heights, and the signs he saw on the 79th floor didn't comfort him too much. One, giving directions to the spa, instructed, "Take the freight elevator." We assume it meant freight. On the stair door at the 79th floor was posted a sign telling readers their only exit from the stairs was on the first floor; now, that's a long walk.

Since we are city people, as opposed to sun-and-sea or ski seekers, we also spent some time in Indianapolis, St. Louis (where Fred managed to lose the car keys), Kansas City and Cincinnati. Remember our Union Station, which stood on the site of the Hyatt Regency on High Street? We saw an interesting series of alternatives to destruction. Indianapolis has converted its old station into a honky-tonk carnival atmosphere of shops located next door to the huge sports arena. St. Louis has made its into a beautiful City Center of sharp shops and allowed room for a Hyatt Hotel; too. Kansas City is suing a developer who promised great things but did nothing, and

Cincinnati gave up on a failing shopping area and converted its great Union Station into a museum.

Indianapolis has a magnificent, old Market Building for which North Market customers would die, but it was empty on Saturday morning—the high point of shopping at our North Market. Atmosphere isn't everything; you must have quality, too.

Speaking of the North Market, Nancy Hartz is leaving her position as Market Master to open a cookware store in the Short North. A search is on for someone to handle operations, administration, public relations and act as a liaison among merchants, the North Market Association, the market's Development Authority and the public. If you are interested in the position, call the authority at 224-9325.

Back to our tour... We stayed at the Cincinnati in Cincy—Ohio's only Mobil four-star hotel—and it deserves the rating. It is pure luxury in a 108-year-old historic registry building. If you do not want to spring for the expensive menu at its Palace Restaurant (worth every penny), try the afternoon tea and sample the foods. Incidentally, Montgomery Inn, famous for its barbecued ribs

that are shipped everywhere, is opening a third place in the city.

We did this tour by car, and a couple times along the way we bought taped books and enjoyed listening to a novel as we traveled. But after you have heard them once, what do you do with them? You trade them. Hausfrau is going to open a taped-book exchange so that you can trade your used tapes for someone else's used tapes. Check us out in February.

Columbus' Red, White and Boom! was selected as one of the Top 100 Events in North America by the American Bus Association, which compiles the list. Now in its 11th year, the event, scheduled to be held July 3, is projected to attract around 500,000 spectators to the downtown riverfront.

Somebody told us they spied the recent former attorney general Sherrod Brown at the Inn Between with attorney Bridgette Roman.

When Jim Sweeney, in a fit of New Year's euphoria, said he would buy dinner for anyone to whom he was impolite, someone asked him to put it on paper. They xeroxed it and posted it in every one of Sweeney's hangouts. Needless to say, Jim is behaving very politely in 1991.

An unlikely meeting—Aaron Leventhal, Alan Zak, Larry Hamill, Phil Boiarski, Mim Chenfeld. It's their ninth year as editorial board members for Kid's Connection, and they still are speaking to each other.

It would appear that Ted Rice's time has come. The local photographer, who has worked locally for Ohio Magazine and the United Way, is the subject of a feature in the December 1990 issue of Studio Photography and an article on his direct-mail campaign will appear in the March issue of Photo District News.

And—there's more—Rice just returned from a visit to New York City (which he described as "exhausting"), where he met with photo editors at a number of publications, including People Magazine, Vanity Fair, Time, Fortune and Forbes. All in all, he thinks his interviews went well and that work from some of these mags will come eventually. He had sent the editors beautiful postcards of his work, and he said it was heartening "that some places recognized my work. They get so many that the fact that anybody had remembered them was encouraging. Some even had it pinned up on the wall with others they liked." No wonder. Anyone who has seen one of his portraits cannot help but remember it.

Looking ahead at benefits... Actors' Summer Theatre is the beneficiary of a special showing of Hamlet at the Drexel February 2. Your \$10 will give you an evening to remember, and it supports free Shakespearean theater in Schiller Park all summer. Call 444-6888 for tickets.

On April 7, Stuart Pimsler Dance & Theater will have a fundraiser at Rigsby's. The swinging Opera/Columbus Goes Jazz/2 with Arnett Howard and his Creole Funk Band and Mary McClendon and her group will take place May 10. And the Great Ohio Duck Race comes back to the Riverfront June 14.

Bits and Pieces from All Over: David Stolz of Stolz-Mead and Kimberly Branch were cozy-

ing up at Lindey's... Architect Michael Burkey was busy introducing his new and beautiful wife, April, a stewardess... Joanna Felder and attorney Bill Goldman plan a February 16 wedding... Creative types Lynn Stan and Charles Einhorn are scheduled to tie the knot March 24... OSU Forensics and Outpatients coach Lisa Phillips and Greg Woody Woodruff are planning a May wedding...

Investments man Jim Leonard was in town recently, stopping off between Florida and his home office in Pasadena... Republican Doug Priesse and friends still were celebrating the Voinovich inauguration... Keith Brown, late for work and trying to get his car started, gave up and called a tow truck. Eight hours and \$50 later, he was told the problem—no gas in the tank... Both H.L. Wright and Jim O'Connor attested to the success of ear staples in ending their cigarette smoking. Would a staple in Fred's mouth stop him from eating?... The next time you think about flowers, consider this: In Holland, there is one flower outlet for every 1,300 people; in the US of A, there is one flower outlet for every 6,000 people. We seem to lack flower power... What ever happened to the Kelley Mansion? A former Broad Street mansion, it was dismantled, the pieces numbered for future rebuilding and then stored several places, but never rebuilt...

A salute to the Ohio Arts Council, celebrating its 25th anniversary, and to its director, Wayne Lawson. They have been trail-blazers for all the other state arts councils, and Ohio has enjoyed the fruits of their labors... Look for another major change in personnel at Lindey's in the near future... And while you are looking, watch the Drexel scene this spring and summer... For all of you who have been asking, The Dell will reopen, but you will have to wait until March... If you get near Yellow Springs, do not miss the Edgewick Cafe—great food in pleasant surroundings and a long Sunday brunch...

He's gone from the corporate world of Cardinal Industries to the entrepreneurial world of the restaurant business. Former Cardinal VP Ralph Nicolosi, has opened Nicolosi's at 33 E. Gay St. He opens at 7 a.m. with donuts, muffins, croissants and coffee and follows with a lunch of salads and sammies. Nicolosi says that one of his most popular items is hot shredded chicken simmered in broth and served on a kaiser or onion roll. Nicolosi's also offers box lunches, catering and olives instead of pickles on sandwiches...

Mike Meyer of the notorious Danger Brothers has his own studio, Major Productions. He recently returned from doing a music video in Nashville... If you are a fan of Bill and the Brunettes' rock-n-roll, they will be taking over at Tommy Daugherty's South High spot on the 25th...

All for now. We are closed for remodeling at hausfrau, but we will open for short hours (11 a.m.-3 p.m.) February 1-12; then, we will open for regular hours. Meanwhile, listen for us at 7:45 a.m. on alternate Fridays on 610 WTVN with Bob Connors.

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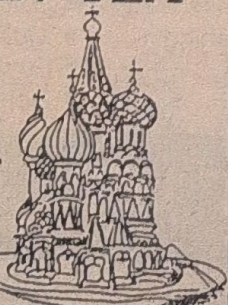
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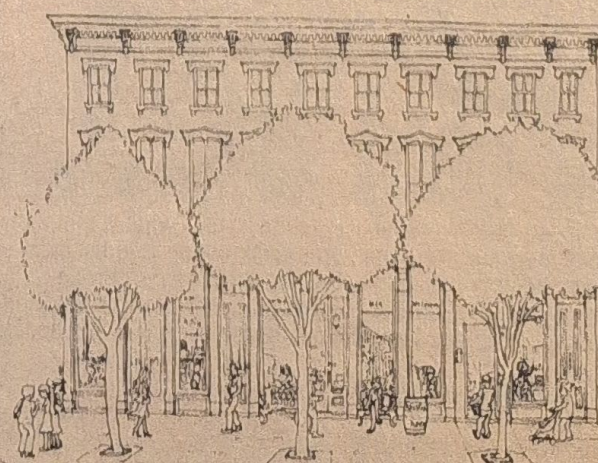
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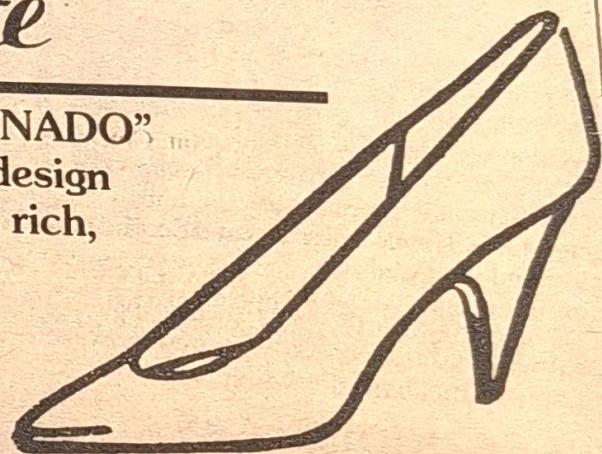
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Finished all the way to the 3rd floor. Open staircase in entry, new appliances in kitchen, large rooms, neat bath, large yard, front porch, oak woodwork and floors under carpet. Mid 50's. (920C)

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OLDE TOWNE

Recently redone, high ceilings, built-in cabinets, country kitchen, bay windows, huge 3rd floor, deck/patio and off-street parking. High 50's. (209M)

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PRICE REDUCED

Stately Italianate with carriage house (studio/loft), completely renovated and filled with character and charm. Gourmet kitchen and exotic master bath. Mid 170's. (178F)

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VALUE PLUS

Full front porch, 2+ car garage, multi-level deck, privacy fenced yard, 3+ bedrooms, 1½ baths, country kitchen and exposed brick. Mid 60's. (1363F)

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VICTORIAN VILLAGE

Interesting home on Neil Ave. Much thought was put into this renovation. Updated mechanicals, fantastic color schemes inside and out and quality throughout. Low, low 120's. (762N)

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41 WILSON AVE.

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Bright but silly female (28) wants sweet, mischievous male with Axl Rose attitude, Steve Vai humor and/or Steve Tyler mind to uncover cure for Midwest boredom. 5224 ☎

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Sensual, petite SWPF, with big blue eyes, long, curly brown hair and a cheerleader's body, seeks vigorous, athletic, intelligent SWPM for a long-term relationship involving a variety of physical and domestic pursuits and pleasures. If you are the right man, I have a lot to offer! Photo. F1051 ☐

SWPF, 33, reasonably good-looking, slim and intelligent. I'm down to earth, fun-loving and enjoy sports (esp. football), movies, conversation and time with friends. I like men, even though I've heard they can be horrible creatures! Looking for S or DWM, attractive and intelligent, fun and not too stuck on himself. Send letter, photo if possible. P.S. Can you cook?? F1052 ☐

Brunette, trim female, 43, seeks younger male to enjoy dancing & music (Top 40, big band, ballroom, urban, R&B, classical, jazz), Drexel flicks, festivals, amusement parks, travel, the arts & trying new things. Photo greatly appreciated. 5160 ☐ ☎

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SWM, 23, athletic, educated, faithful, seeking energetic older woman, 26-45, with inner beauty, to teach me about life. Photo please. 5242 ☐ ☎

SWM, 36, 5'10", trim and muscular, non-smoke/non-drink/non-drugs, professional. Enjoys outdoor activities, travel, mountains and sea. Active and seeking an athletic partner for life's many adventures. Seeking SWF, 22-40, active, independent, in good shape, who desires friendship, closeness or more. Let's try new things together. Please send letter/phone/photo. 5243 ☐ ☎

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MEN SEEKING MEN

Intelligent GWPM, youthful 40, wants romance, needs the stuff that lasts: friendship, mutual interests, caring. Tell me about yourself (points added for interest in arts, music, outdoors... enjoying life). M1068 ☐

GWPM, 31, 5'10", 155 lbs., br/bl, good-looking, great sense of humor, honest and romantic, seeks similar. Respond with letter, photo and phone. M1066 ☐

GWM, 23, 6'1", 180 lbs., brown hair/eyes, non-smoker, educated, "Polo-type", seeks same (22-38) for possible relationship. Reply with recent photo, imaginative letter and phone number. 5239 ☐ ☎

GWM, 26 muscular, well-built, seeks similar body-builder or jock type for lasting relationship or friendship. I have a lot of varied interests outside the gym. Serious replies w/ photo only. M1067 ☐

GWPM seeks same for mutually satisfying friendship. Interests include: hiking, tennis, golf, art, music and new adventures. Desire discreet relationship. Prefer 25-35; respond with phone and photo if possible. 5221 ☐ ☎

GWM, 30, athletic, educated, handsome, romantic, into

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GWM, 18, 6'2", 160 lbs., bl/bl, attractive, intelligent, honest, open-minded, progressive, seeking similar WM, 18-22, for friendship. Letter and photo please. M1061 ☐

PGWM, 38, ACC member, seeks same for exercise partner 2-4 times per week at ACC. 5226 ☐ ☎

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CGWF seeking CGWF to share apartment plus companionship. No boozers or smokers. Must love cats. East Side. Rent \$140 per month. 5218 ☎

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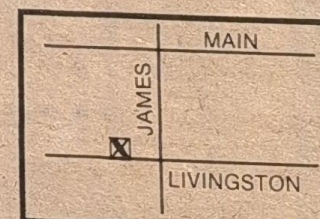
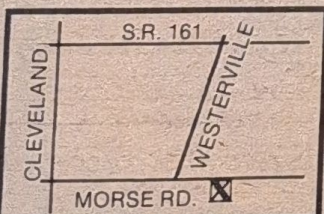
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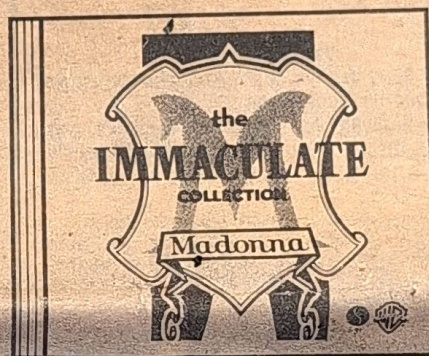
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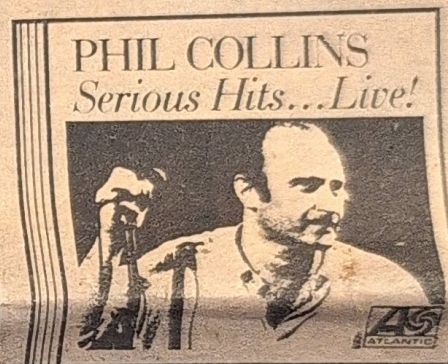
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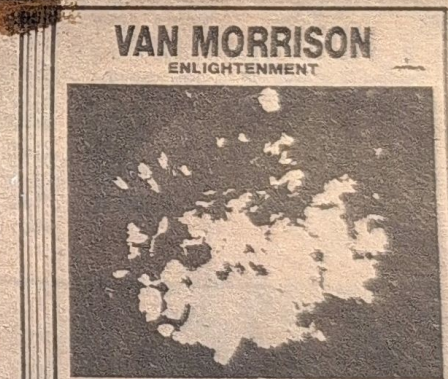
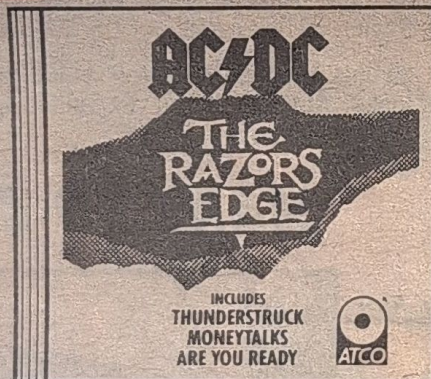
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